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Pilgrims Return To Scene

Bethelehem Again Has No Room Today At the Inns When Thousands Arrive

Bethlehem (AP)—By the thousands, the faithful came to Bethlehem today and once more, as it was on the first Christmas nearly 2,000 years ago, there was no room at the inns.

Arab and Israeli border guards relaxed their frontier regulations to let the pilgrims approach the holy places of Christianity. The thousands of visitors filled every room and every bed in the hotels, hostels and pensions of the Arab section of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho and Ramallah.

At 8 a.m. today the Mandelbaum Gate into the Israeli part of Jerusalem opened to admit 1,200 Arab Christians who live in Israel. They had special permission to visit relatives on the Arab side of the frontier dividing the holy city and to attend Christmas services tonight. They must be back in Israel by Christmas night.

Hundreds of foreign pilgrims also came through Israle and the Mandelbaum Gate. They will not be allowed to return home through the Jewish state, however.

Like the three wise men of long ago, the pilgrims today pressed toward Bethlehem. Tonight a brightly gleaming star atop the Church of the Nativity will lead them — as another star led the Magi—to the birthplace of the holy child.

Cristmas Eve was a day of ceremony and worship, climaxing tonight in the midnight services marking the birth of Christ.

Roman Catholic Patriarch Alberto Gori was to lead the procession to Bethlehem. Attended by four mounted constables, his party included the consular corps and United Nations officials from both sides of the frontier that has split the holy city since the Palestine War of 1948.

The official party from the Israeli side of the frontier traveled the traditional road from Jerusalem. Normally held by Israle and closed to the Arabs, the road was opened especially for the procession.

The route lay past the tomb of Rachel to the Church of the Nativity, which marks the supposed birthplace of Christ. Representatives of the Orthodox and Armenian churches were on hand to welcome the patriarch at the church entrance. Inside the church are and Latin Worship.

The climax of the ceremony will be the traditional midnight mass, beginning in the Latin Chapel of St. Catherine and concluding in the Grotto of the Nativity, where tradition says Mary and Joseph finally found shelter and where the baby was born.

The Protestant service was arranged in a similarly hallowed spot— on the terraced slopes outside Bethlehem where the angels announced the birth to the shepherds watching their flocks by night. During this service, a typical hepherd's meal of coarse bread and meat was planned.

Two Sets of Triplets Today In New York City

NEW YORK (AP)—Two sets of triplets were born in separate New York City hospitals yesterday within three hours.

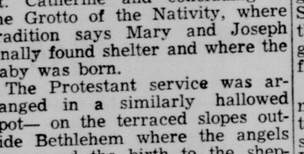
One mother, Mrs. Benjamin De Stefano, 30, is the wife of an unemployed longshoreman.

The De Stefanos have until Jan. 2 to move out of their flat. The Departments of Health and of Housing and Buildings have said that four adults and 11 children —not counting the triplets—are too many for a six-room flat.

While Mrs. De Stefano was giving birth to triplets in a Brooklyn hospital, a second trio was born in a Bronx hospital to the 38-year old wife of Capt. Daniel Sullivan of the Fire Department. The Sullivans have five other children.

Maybe, Could Snow

It maybe, could, possibly will snow. But for Christmas Eve, if you really want a white Christmas, perhaps you'd better put on your dream bonnet and have an all-night spree with the sand man.



SNOW FLURRIES

Cloudy and cold with occasional light snow tonight. Thursday continued cold. Low tonight near 15. Thursday high in the 20's.

The temperature at 7 a. m. was 26; 31 at 1 p. m., and 32 at 2 p. m.

Stage at Lake of the Ozarks: 3.7, fall .1.

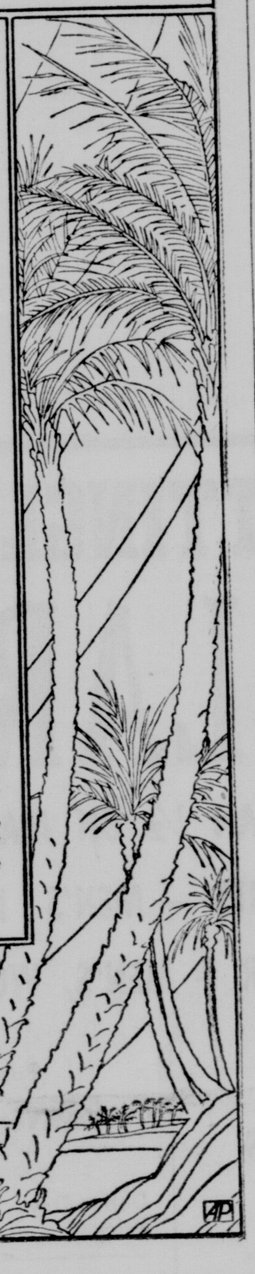
The Christmas Story

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!"

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.



He Preached Gifts of Peace and Love of Mankind---

Christians Turn to Ceremonies Commemorating Christ's Birth

Faithful Lifting Hearts In Prayer Of Thanks and Hope

By The Associated Press

Christians turned from the cares and sorrows of a troubled, strife-wracked world today to begin the happy yet solemn ceremonies commemorating the birth of Him who preached the gifts of peace and love to all mankind.

As the last-minute rush for presents and festive goodies died away, millions of faithful lifted their hearts in Christmas Eve prayers of thanks and hope, and their voices in carols of joy.

Churches throughout Christendom threw open their doors to welcome all to traditional Christmas Eve ceremonies. In Bethlehem of Judea, a special Catholic midnight mass beginning in the Chapel of St. Catherine will end in the Grotto of the Nativity, on the spot designated by His followers as the birthplace of Christ nearly 2,000 years ago.

At the same time a Protestant service will be held on nearby terraced slopes that mark the traditional spot where angels announced the birth of Christ to shepherds watching their flocks by night.

Hundreds of pilgrims have arrived in the Holy Land to worship at the shrines connected with the birth of Christ. As in past Christmas times, the heavy border guards between Jordan and Israel —still technically at war—will step aside to permit passage to the holy places.

Pope Pius XII was to broadcast his annual Christmas message of peace beginning at 5 a.m., EST, today. The message will be beamed around the world in 23 languages. The Pontiff's Christmas Eve mass also will be aired by the Vatican radio at 5:40 p.m., EST.

More than an hour earlier, President Truman will deliver his last official Christmas message to the nation. He will speak at 4:30 p.m. EST, at the 30th annual Lighting of the Living Christmas Tree on the White House grounds.

Other chiefs of state and rulers prepared special messages. Queen Elizabeth II will broadcast hers—her first as Britain's reigning monarch—to the world-wide British Commonwealth and empire at 10:03 a.m., EST, tomorrow.

As Americans at home rushed their last preparations for the season, their thoughts went out to the thousands of fighting men spending Christmas in troubled spots around the world — Korea, Germany, Austria, Japan and other lands threatened by tyranny.

All these, however, will have their celebrations too. There will be packages from home and special Christmas dinners. And American troops the world over have chipped in to buy toys and food for needy children in lands that are their temporary homes.

In a Christmas message to his Eighth Army troops in Korea, Gen. James Van Fleet declared the Christmas star "still burns to lead us in our pursuit of peace on earth and good will towards men."

The Eighth Army chief exposed a well-nigh universal hope in the eastern world when he told his men he hoped the next Christmas would find them in their homes and peace restored to Korea.

Van Fleet's words were echoed by his commander, Gen. Mark W. Clark, whose message to the United Nations' troops said the faith expressed in the Christmas spririt "will bring us to our goal."

"Although the world has passed through many dark and critical times these past two thousand years, it is man's belief, however dark the hour may seem, that eventually the light of fellowship will show the way of peace on earth," Clark declared.

The Chinese Communists even joined in the yuletide festivities on the Koreas battlefront. A Red patrol decorated a Christmas tree on the snow-covered no man's land between Allied and Red lines. Some of the crudely written banners on the tree wished Allied soldiers a merry Crhistmas but others added a wish for the "cold death" of Allied troops if the United Nations Command did not give in at the suspended armistice talks.

Not too much is known about Christmas plans in Communist countries. In Russia, Christmas is celebrated on the West's Jan. 7 because the Russians use a different claender.

In Russian-led, but still Roman Catholic, Poland the Communists evidently are trying to discourage traditional Christmas celebrations. The authorities are sponsoring, as a counter attraction, New Year's Day festivities with lighted trees.

Christmas Services At Episcopal Church

Christmas will be celebrated at Calvary Episcopal Church with a choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 11:30 o'clock Christmas Eve. A prelude of Christmas carols will precede the service. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Christmas Day.

Original Christmas Stories Today by Democrat's Writers

A feature of today's Christmas edition of The Sedalia Democrat comes in the presentation of original Christmas stories by members of the news staff of The Democrat. Written especially for this occasion, the stories will be found in the second and third sections of the paper. They include:

"Scrooges Can't Stop Christmas ..... by G.H.S.
"The Wise Little Wise Man" ..... by Miss Hazel Lang
"But Santa Still Uses His Sleigh" ..... by W. D. Agee
"Pardner at Christmas" ..... by Dick Wade
"Late Shopper's Fun" ..... by Mrs. Melvin White
"There Was Another Window" ..... by Peter Potter
"Rural Christmas" ..... by Carl McIntire

In addition, there is the annual Christmas poem, "Santa's Record Book," by Miss Lang and several other articles contributed for the edition by Sedalians.

Santa Gives Presents Tuesday To 2,500 Sedalia Children

Community Christmas Parties Are Held At Three Theatres, Then Youngsters Go To Courthouse Where Santa Holds Forth

Jolly, old St. Nicholas came to town Tuesday afternoon and visited more than 2,500 children, who were guests at the Community Christmas Party. Old St. Nick, as he is known in some parts of the world, but Santa Claus in the United States, supervised the distribution of the sacks of candy with either and orange or an apple.

The party was held at the three theaters in Sedalia, the Uptown, the Liberty and the Fox, where two-hour programs of technicolor cartoons were shown.

Preceeding the pictures was a short program at which a story, "Meaning of Christmas", was told by members of the Ministerial Alliance.

At the Uptown, the Rev. William C. Bessmer, pastor of the Immanuel Evangelical and Reformed Church, spoke; at the Fox, the Rev. J. W. Watts, pastor of the East Broadway Christian Church; and at the Liberty, the Rev. R. Edward Sims, rector of the Colvary Episcopal Church, gave the Christmas story.

Singing of Christmas carols was held in each theater with Al Domingue leading the singing at the Fox, Kenneth Buchholtz, at the Liberty, and Charles Maggard at the Uptown.

The shows let out at 20-minute intervals and the children were escorted to the Courthouse lawn where Santa Claus made his appearance on a big flat bed truck upon which were stacked baskets and boxes containing the sacks. Here men distributed these sacks on each side of the truck and Santa Claus sat in his office chair swinging from side to side trying to greet and ask each child what he or she wanted for Christmas.

Members of the Sedalia Police Department were stationed at each theater and, as the show let out, patrolled street crossings to see the children across safely, and remained around Santa Claus' truck to see that each child got his sack.

E. B. Smith, president of the Sedalia Lions Club, which invited others to participate in the party to make it a community project instead of a Lions Club affair, reported, "I am thrilled the way the party took hold. I am sure that we reached the majority of the children of the community and know that next year we shall reach all. I am grateful to the other organizations which contributed financially and with manpower to make this one of Sedalia's largest community affairs for all the children and not just a few."

Orson Potter, general chairman: "I am not too surprised tha' it was a big success, because I felt the other organizations would come through. If it is sponsored again next year the way it was this year, every boy and girl in Sedalia will get to see Santa Claus and get a treat."

This is the first year the community project was held and the Sedalia Retail Grocers Ass'n., the Sedalia Police Department, Sedalia Lodge 125, B.P.O. Elks, Optimist Club and the Missouri Pacific Boosters Club joined with the Lions.

Because it was started late in the season, several organizations offered manpower in the project. The Sedalia Police Department donated their 10 per cent from the Policeman's Ball, the Retail Grocers and the Elks Club also contributed financially to the program as well as the Lions.

Members of the various organizations were so pleased with the way the party went off they have already started discussing the plan for a bigger and better party for the children's Christmas in 1953

Several hundred sacks of candy were left over and will be given to agencies which will see that they are sent to children who missed the party. A quantity of these treats was also turned over to the Police Department for distribution.

No Democrat Christmas Or Capital Dec. 26

In keeping with the Christmas spirit The Democrat and Capital will observe Thursday, Dec. 25, as a holiday and no Democrat will be published that afternoon and no Capital will be issued the following morning, Dec. 26.

Mother Makes Dolls, Helps Santa Claus

Family Was Burned Out, Boy Was Ill, But Santa's Coming

Up until now the family was making out the best they could with what they had. But with Christmas coming on, Evelyn Jackson had to do something to help Santa Claus.

It was early in the fall that the family of S. C. Jackson was burned out — completely — in Harrison, Ark. They didn't have a thing left and so, being Sedalians, they just came back home. They had to have a place to live so they went to the home of Mrs. D. W. Phillips, 1201 South Ingram, who is Mrs. Jackson's mother, and people in Sedalia helped them with furniture and clothes.

Mr. Jackson, who had been employed for seven years with the Missouri Public Service, now has a job with System Mills and the family is trying to get back to living like they have always been used to living. They still have just the necessities in their home, a little furniture — not much — but they can't do too much yet. They just had to start from scratch.

Then Stevie, six years old, had a light form of polio, which left one side of his face paralyzed for a while, but he is all right now.

And now along comes Christmas. Besides Stevie there are Sammy, eight, and Jodie, four, so mother felt she just had to have some Christmas money. She had to help Santa Claus.

And that was when she hit on the idea of dressing dolls and selling them. The dolls are lovely. They are of three sizes and some of them go to sleep. The dresses, with real full skirts, are crocheted. The dolls have darling little bonnets and tiny booties—just like a real baby's booties, only smaller.

Grandmother went around over town selling them and there was enough money to give to Santa for some toys—but not enough to buy the big things, such as the bike the oldest boy wanted and the little wagon one of the younger ones asked for. There won't be any big toys, the kind that burned up in the fire, but there will be toys and a Merry Christmas just the same at the Jackson home. A Merry Christmas beacuse none of the family burned up in the fire and Stevie is well again and going to school.

Detectives to Play Santa for Children Of a Jailed Man

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—A couple of soft - hearted detectives, George Hawks and Bennie Cravatt have made sure the children of Sam W. Baker, 31 - year - old Oklahoma City resident, will get dolls for Christmas after all.

Baker was sentenced to 60 days yesterday for receiving stolen goods — five dolls he gave to his children as presents. Baker's brother, Robert Lee Baker, 27, was sentenced to three years on two counts of second degree burglary.

Peace Search Continues

Good Will Prevails Over Much of Globe; Churches Report Big Revival of Interest

NEW YORK (AP)— It has not been the best of years in many ways, this 1952. But Americans around the world are intent on giving it the happiest possible ending with the merriest possible Christmas to all.

There is not peace on earth. But nearly everywhere there are signs of good will.

Churches have reported the greatest revival of interest in any season of recent years. Charitable institutions have been heaped with gifts of money and goods and time.

The spirit of generosity and good will is reflected commercially too. There has been the biggest retail Christmas trade ever.

What are Americans doing this season? The record speaks:

In Operation Santa Claus the military Air Transport Service is making the GIs dream come true: flying home for Christmas 56 servicemen and women who are blinded, paralyzed or amputees.

Some 65 guys and dolls in show business gave up their own holidays to entertain servicemen from Korea to Greenland.

Throughout Korea and Japan, American servicemen are giving Christmas parties and gifts to orphans of other nations.

In New York City at least 100,000 children will be entertained at big parties by charitable organizations.

In Itta Bena, Miss., where white teen-age vandals wrecked a nativity scene at Mississippi's new Negro college, hundreds of white citizens pitched in with Negro citizens to restore it for Christmas.

A 27-year-old woman polio victim in Chicago, confined to an iron lung, faced eviction from her home with her 6-year-old son. The neighborhood came to her aid. Thus far $500 has been raised.

A group of Texas airmen stationed in Greenville, S. C., are throwing a big Christmas party for 80 little Negro children who expected a bleak Christmas. They are flying in Santa from the North Pole.

In Osaka, Japan, a sergeant decided to give a Christmas party for orphans, with each orphan having "parents" for the day. More "parents" showed up than orphans.

Several thousand German orphans were assured of Christmas gifts—and U. S. Air Force officials in Frankfurt were slightly red-faced. The truck bearing 18,000 presents for the orphans was reported missing, and the Air Force offered a $1,000 reward for its recovery. It turned out truck and presents were in a Heidelberg parking lot all the time.

In a weather-beaten farmhouse atop a barren hill near Garden Valley, Tex., an aging couple began Dec. 15 giving a 10-day party that attracted thousands of East Texas younsters. The couple isn't rich, but merchants and friends helped make the party a success.

In Wheeling, W. Va., radio station WWVA gave a special Christmas greeting to about 7,000 Eskimos who live away up north in Santa Claus' backyard. The eskimos love mountain music and are always tuning in sets in remote trading posts to the station's powerful beam.

It's 27 Below Zero As Santa Leaves Home

THE NORTH POLE (AP)—It was at least 27 degrees below zero here today as Santa Claus hitched up his reindeer for his annual visit to the homes of good girls and boys.

The weather was partly cloudy but visibility was good for the beginning of St. Nick's world-circling trip.

Christmas Services

Christmas services will be held at Sedalia Churches as follows:

Broadway Presbyterian, candlelight service 11 o'clock tonight.

St. Paul's Lutheran, 10:30 a. m. Christmas Day.

Cogregational-Presbyterian Federated, Christmas Day at 5 p. m.

Cross Roads Comment

By G. H. S.

Dear Santa:

Please don't hold it against Sedalia's children because of the rough riding you many encounter if you and your reindeer come through town by way of Highway 65 (Missouri Avenue) or Highway 50 (Broadway). Suggest you hitch reindeer on outskirts of Sedalia and enlist aid of Aladdin and his magic lamp to provide you with helicoper for chimney coverage of all homes. This will preserve your sled from the disintegration that has set in on our highways through town.

Affectionately,
A Friend of All Children,
Little L. Fin.

She Thought He Wouldn't Come Because She Had Not Seen Him—

Santa Visits Sick Girl, Promises To Return Tonight With Her Gifts

It seemed for a while that the little four-year-old girl wasn't going to be here for Christmas. She had her tonsils out and something happened — she just didn't get along so well—and all of her family were offering prayers.

It was Ina Ray who was sick, not Pokey, but Pokey was quiet, too. She was sitting back in the shadows watching, waiting, for Pokey is the bad little girl and Ina Ray is the good little girl that make up the dual personality of the little four-year-old. When she is good she is Ina Ray and when she is bad she is Pokey.

It was Santa Claus time and even after she began to get better she couldn't go out. She had to stay in the house and it was so hard. She missed the Santa Claus parade and she missed seeing Santa in the stores.

"I guess I just won't get much this year," she told her mother. "I didn't get to see Santa Claus, I guess I'll have to wait until next year."

But she wrote Santa Claus a letter—a nice long letter of three pages—telling all about how she had her tonsils out and had been sick, how she wouldn't get to see him this year, and she listed a few things she would like to have. It took a long time to write that letter. Ina Ray—because it was Ina Ray who wrote the letter—took a lot of pains to write it nice and neat. Of course, nobody could read it except Santa Claus.

Another thing, Ina Ray has pushed Pokey outdoors and is making her stay there until Christmas is over. She isn't going to take any chances on her bad little self getting her good little self in trouble. It isn't Ina Ray who does the bad things, it is Pokey. And Ina Ray never gets punished; it is always Pokey. If mother starts to spand and the little girl says, "But, Mother, this is Ina Ray," mother doesn't spank. She only spanks Pokey.

It was about 9:30 one night, way past Ina Ray's bedtime—even Pokey's bedtime. Mommie had gone down to the basement. Frankie, Ina Ray's older sister, was in the next room playing with a little girl friend and daddy was in the living room talking to Ina Ray, trying to keep her awake. Suddenly the door opened and in came Santa. His beard was so white and wavy, his cheeks were so rosy, his eyes were so blue and he looked so nice in his red suit.

Ina Ray squealed and ran to him. "Oh, no," she said, and the words — everything she tried to say—came backwards.

"I thought so—maybe—you got my letter," she said as she hugged him.

Frankie and her little friend came in from the next room. Frankie is nine, but her eyes grew big as she watched. That was surely the real thing. His beard was just perfect. His whole appearance told her he must be the real, honest-to-goodness Santa.

Santa told Ina Ray he had received her letter. He told her he was sorry about her having her tonsils out and missing all the fun —that was why he came to see her.

Ina Ray got very hot; she wiped the perspiration from her face. Then she began to itch.

"I don't know why I itch so," she said, scratching herself first one place, then another—so Santa helped her scratch.

"Now," said Santa, "what is it you want for Christmas?"

Ina Ray tried to think and she couln't think of one single thing. She got out a big catalog. She tried to find pictures of things she would like to have, but even the catalog didn't help. She couldn't remember a thing she wanted and she named over things that she didn't want at all—much to her mother's surprise.

"What does your mama want?" asked Santa.

"I think she wants dishes," said the little girl.

"Well, what does Frankie want?" the jolly old man asked. By this time Ina Ray was so confused she didn't know what to say. "Oh, oh, I don't know," she said. "Let her tell you."

"Have you been a good girl, Ina Ray?' Santa asked, and Ina Ray hesitated on that, but she decided the answer should be "yes." After all, Ina Ray was always good; it was Pokey who was bad.

Santa saw the time was getting late so he told Ina Ray he had to go, but he gave her a nice treat.

"The next time I come," said Santa, "you will be asleep."

"I sleep early," replied Ina Ray, still getting her words twisted. "I don't get up till 8:30."

And then Santa was gone. She heard the tinkle of the bells on his boots as he went to the door and out of the house.

The little girl was so excited she couldn't remember a thing she had said to him. She couldn't think of a thing she told him she wanted and it was 11 o'clock before she settled down and went to bed. She won't be up that late Christmas Eve. She will be in bed early and fast asleep when Santa comes again, this time down the chimney.

But Ina Ray has written another letter to Santa, a letter thanking him for coming to see her. She thought that was mighty nice of him to take time off to pay her a visit even if she had been sick and couldn't see him.

Sedalia Children Get Anxious As Christmas Eve Draws Near

It was such a big thrill to see Santa Claus downtown Tuesday and talk to him — and then the four year old got down the street a little ways when he happened to think about something.

"Ah, Shaw" he said in disgust, "I forgot to ask him if he got my letter."

The Christmas tree looked beautiful to three year old Monica, but it seemed to be lacking something. Finally she confided in her little cousin Sheilla about the same age.

"I've got a tree," she said, "But there's nothing there."

Marilyn has a couple of tiny sacks that she wants to hang on the Christmas tree for her big sister.

"Mother," she said, "Wake me up so I can fill the socks and puut them on the tree for sister."

"Wake you up?" said mother, "And let you catch Santa Claus? No indeed."

So the little girl is wondering how she is going to get the socks on the tree without her big sister knowing about it.

It just seems like Christmas Eve was never coming—especially after school was out — and so the two little sisters made out a schedule for each day of things to do to keep them busy until Christmas Eve.

The gifts piled high around the Christmas tree. There were boxes from relatives each with lots of packages for everybody. Then, of course, Christmas morning will bring still more—the gifts Santa brings in the night.

Among the packages are two beautifully wrapped gifts. One of the little boys made two gifts at

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Sees Cleanup Of Subversives From UN Staff

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Wiley (R-Wis) said today a new move "is in the works to fire subversives from the staff at United Nations."

Wiley, a delegate to the U. N. General Assembly, made the disclosure after a telephone talk with Chairman Robert Ramspeck of the Civil Service Commission who, he said, will have a big part in touching off the house cleaning.

Ramspeck could not immediately be reached for comment.

Eighteen U. S. citizens have been dismissed from U. N. jobs on the ground they were security risks, following a report by a federal grand jury in New York alleging widespread U. S. Communist infiltration of the U. N. staff. Wiley contends others are still on the payrolls of the U. N. Secretariat and of some of the organization's subordinate groups.

Wiley's talk with Ramspeck followed a news conference at which the senator had urged a swifter cleanup and questioned whether the Truman administration planned to "sit on its dignity" and leave the problem for the Eisenhower administration to solve.

Today, however, Wiley said that "after my talk with Mr. Ramspeck I am encouraged to believe that President Truman meant business when he ordered the State and Justice Departments and civil service to jointly tackle the problem."

The senator said he now expects the three agencies, with Ramspeck as co-ordinator, will file with U. N. Secretary General Trygve Lie "detailed statements giving the background of employes of questionable loyalty to this country," a step they have not taken until now.

Wiley said Lie has been handicapped because the U. S. government insisted on giving "only a one-word summary such as 'adverse' " in asking Lie to fire someone as a security risk.

That, he said, left the secretary general unable to defend a dismissal in any case where the employe appealed. It is partly responsible for protests from other nations against the firings, Wiley added.

"Not one other nation has supported our view," Wiley said, but he added that he expects the detailed statements "can avert a very bad fight over the issue in the General Assembly" and permit this country to demonstrate that it is withing its rights "in insisting on the weeding out of persons of questionable loyalty."

Most foreign nations, he said, have been unable to understand why the U. S. insisted on the dismissal of American Communists, since many other countries even allow Communists some voice in their coalition governments.

Hal Boyle's Column---

Santa Is On His Way, Kids, With Your Address On List

By HAL BOYLE

NORTH POLE (AP)—Well, children, you can go to bed now. Santa Claus is on his way to your house. He has your address in his pocket.

He and his eight reindeer took off from a snowy runway just at twilight. And right this minute they are zooming through the skies with your Christmas presents — faster... faster...and faster.

But of course he can't come down your chimney until you are sound asleep.

There was a lot of excitement at the North Pole this morning, I can tell you. Here's what happened:

The eight reindeerr trotted gayly out of their hangar at dawn and frisked in their harness as Mrs. Santa Claus tied tinkly jingle bells to their antlers.

"Hold still, you little reindeer," said Mrs. Santa. "Why don't you act more like a Christmas tree? You don't see a Christmas tree jumping around while it is being decorated, do you?"

A hundred little elves then tied a rope to Santa Claus' big red sleigh and hauled it from the hangar. A hundred other elves began piling the sleigh full of presents for all the boys and girls in the whole world.

"I never saw so many presents," said Santa, shaking his head, "more children every year. I don't know whether my old sled will hold them all this year."

And then it happened — yes, right at that moment. Cre-e-ek, cr-a-a-a-a-ck! One runner broke, and the big sleigh sagged to one side, spilling Christmas gifts into the snow.

"Oh, dear! oh, dear!" said Santa Claus. "What a time for my sleigh to break down. What will I do now?"

"It certainly would be terrible if all the children in the world woke up tomorrow and found you hadn't been able to bring them their presents," agreed Mrs. Santa.

Just then a big weather observation plane from the U. S. Air Force flew over. It circled and landed on Santa Claus's private runway, and the pilot stepped out, and saluted.

"Are you in any trouble, sir?" he asked.

Santa pointed at the broken runner on his big sleigh.

The air force pilot looked at it and smiled.

"Oh, that isn't such a disaster, sir," he said. "Why don't you let us lend you a modern jet bomber, and you can deliver your presents in it. After all, that sleigh is rather old - fashioned, and your reindeer are probably getting old and slow and could use a rest this year."

Santa hesitated. He walked over and patted each reindeer on its muzzle.

"What do you think?" he asked. "Do you want to stay home and rest this year?"

The reindeer shook their heads, and big tears rolled out of their brown eyes. They loved their job of pulling the big old - fashioned sleigh through the skies each Christmas. They looked forward to the trip all year long.

"No, thank you, I don't want your jet bomber," Santa Claus told the airplane pilot. "We'll make out in the old - fashioned way. I've never disappointed the children yet, and I won't now."

He called for his favorite blacksmith, a grimy elf named Mr. Forge, and asked him if he could fix the sleigh.

"I can fix anything," said Mr. Forge. "I can even fix a television set."

"But what will you use to make a new runner for my sleigh?" asked Santa.

"An icicle, of course," said Mr. Forge, impatiently. "What else?"

So a dozen elves climbed up the North Pole and knocked off the icicle had it fixed so it wouldn't melt, Mr. Forge firmly nailed it to the sleigh with a silver hammer. Then the rest of the presents were piled on.

There was hardly room in the seat for Santa Claus himself.

"Ho, ho, ho! Here we go!" he cried. "Ho, ho, ho! Here we go!"

As the little reindeer leaned against their harness and the sleigh began to move, the U. S. Air Force plane took off on the roadway ahead of them. That made the little reindeer angry.

"Old and slow are we?" snorted Donder to Blitzen. "Let's show that airplane our heels."

And that is just what they did. Faster and faster their little hooves twinkled in the clear frosty air, and soon they overtook the big lumbering airplane and passed it, jingling their bells and laughing.

Waving goodbye to the airplane, the merry old saint in the driver's seat laughed, too, until the tears ran down into his long white beard.

"You can't beat Santa Claus," he said, "so you might as well quit trying."

And the fine old - fashioned sleigh sped on through the skies, bringing a present for you...and you...as soon as you go to sleep.

Langer Says He Will Stay In the Senate

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Langer (R-ND) predicted today a new attempt may be made to keep him out of the Senate but, he said, "it will fail."

I'll be the new chairman of the judiciary committee and probably have a seat on foreign relations," he said in an interview.

Influential Republican senators who asked not to be named agreed that Langer will head the judiciary committee and one of them expressed doubt that any strong Senate move would be made to challenge him.

The North Dakotan said he will demand an immediate showdown if any such effort is made when the new Congress meets Jan. 3. 'If my political opponents have any proof of any kind to reflect on my character, I defy them to produce it under oath," he said.

It was not clear here whether a reported move against Langer's seating would materialize.

J. B. Bridston, a North Dakota state senator, announced several weeks ago he intended to file a petition with the Senate aimed at preventing Langer from taking the oath of office for a new term pending an inquiry into various private immigration bills the senator has sponsored.

Bridston said Langer had introduced a large number of bills which had the effect of allowing to stay in this country certain aliens whom the government was trying to deport.

Bridston has said he would file the petition in late December. Leslie Biffle, secretary of the Senate, said such a petition probably would come to him, but that nothing has been filed that he knows about.

Sen. Hugh Butler (R-Neb), chairman of the Republican committee which assigns GOP senators to committees, said he knows nothing of any move against Langer.

"I know of no senator who is conversant with any such reported move or is doing anything about it," he said.

And Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich), who would be in line for chairmanship of the judiciary committee following Langer, said he knew of no move to bypass the North Dakotan.

Debt, Savings Grow

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Federal Reserve Board's monthly bulletin says debt grew in all sectors of the economy in 1952, but savings also expanded and inflationary tendencies were damped.

French Crew May Go Minus Shore Leaves

NEW YORK (AP)—The arrival today of the French liner Liberte, with a fourth of her crew facing possible shore leave refusals, provided the first direct application of the new McCarran-Walter Immigration Act only hours after it went into effect.

The Liberte, the world's fourth largest liner, is the first major transatlantic vessel to arrive here since the new immigration statute became law at a minute after midnight today. The arrival involves a provision of the law aimed at Communists, espionage agents and criminals.

Some 266 of the Liberte's crew of 974 must remain aboard during the three days the vessel will be here unless they can meet security requirements of the law after the vessel docks, the Justice Department said yesterday in Washington. Only three other crewmen were reported automatically inadmissible under the law.

An American immigration inspector was aboard the Liberte during her last round trip to screen the vessel's crew in advance of her arrival. The Justice Department's statement yesterday was based on a radio-telephone talk with the inspector.

The Liberte development pointed up the sharp tightening of rules for immigration and naturalization under the McCarran-Walter law.

Washington observers believed the Liberte case also would furnish ammunition for both sides in an expected congressional battle over the new law.

However, the provision of the act involved in the Liberte case—a requirement for close screening of crewmen as to their political affiliations, any criminal records and other matters—is not the only point at issue.

Considerable criticism has been aimed at a section retaining the present system of national quotas for immigrants.

The Justice Department yesterday quoted the inspector about the Liberte as reporting the 269 crew members gave only their names but refused to answer questions. He said among them were two with Communist connections and one with a theft conviction in France, making these three automatically inadmissible.

Forty-three others were reported to have had identification documents which apparently had been tampered with. Another 28 were said to have defective documents which might be corrected in New York.

Immigration officials in Washington said anyone violating the shore leave regulation would be picked up and returned to the ship.

Officers Destroy Still, Confiscate Chickens

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — Hamilton County officers destroyed a 2,000-gallon copper still yesterday and confiscated enough chickens to provide Christmas dinner for county prisoners.

Sheriff Rex Richey said the big moonshining outfit was being operated in a chicken house and some chickens were being kept around "as a blind."

"The prisoners at county jail are going to have the biggest chicken dinner for Christmas they've ever had," the sheriff said.

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Builders Class Enjoys Christmas Dinner-Party

The Builders Class of the Bunceton Federated Church held its monthly meeting and annual Christmas party at the church basement Thursday evening, Dec. 18. Hostesses for the evening at the turkey dinner were Mrs. Carl Cale, Mrs. Charley Dilthey, Mrs. Porter Harned and Mrs. Hubert Shrout.

Mrs. Harned, class president, was in charge of the business meeting. Mrs. George Dicos led the devotional. The group was entertained by their children, who presented a Christmas program broadcast followed by a visit from Santa Claus. Gifts were exchanged.

W. Linders Entertain At Annual Dinner-Party

A Christmas party was given Sunday, Dec. 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiggle Linder Sr., Sweet Springs.

A large Christmas tree was the center of attraction. As this is an annual affair, Christmas presents were passed out by little Mikie and Bobby Linder and Sharon Patterson.

A delicious turkey dinner was enjoyed by: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gardner, Sedalia, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Patterson, Miss Ella Harris, Lester Harris, Elmer Lee Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patterson and Sharon, La Monte; Mrs. Stella Barr, Ernest Linder Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wiggle Linder, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Linder and sons, Sweet Springs.

AAA Club Office Invites Neighbors In for Yule Coffee

Somebody at the AAA Auto Club of Missouri, 108 East Fifth, had a bright idea inspired by the Christmas season. They decided to have a Christmas coffee in their place of business and invited in the neighbors around the office.

It was quite an affair, with a lighted Christmas tree, coffee and fancy cookies, people dropping in in small groups for friendly little visits.

Entertaining were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lippard, Mrs. Ray Logan and Miss Ann Fletcher.

Couey Family to Have Christmas Day Dinner

The Couey family dinner Christmas Day will be held at the home of Miss Tropha Bockelman 230 South Quincy.

Attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peterson and family of Wichita, Kan., Gene Bockelman, student at the University of Kansas at Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Couey of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Couey of Kansas City, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Couey and Miss Edyth Couey of Sedalia.

Syracuse Schools Closed for Holiday

SYRACUSE — The Syracuse schools closed Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays with a program and gift exchange.

The program was in three parts: a playlet in Mother Goose stories and songs presented by the first and second grades directed by Mrs. Paul Repper; part 2, a pantomime, "The First Noel," third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades directed by Mrs. James Anthony and Miss Vivian Holloway; part 3, a three-act play, "The Shepherds Live Again," by the seventh and eighth grades under the direction of Professor Martin.

East Baptist Men Have Yule Program

The Men's Brotherhood of the East Sedalia Baptist Church presented a Christmas program, "Putting Christ in Christmas," at the regular meeting held Monday night at the church.

Gerald Hayworth, president, presided and special music was by Harold Schwenk. Speakers on the program were Glenn Reckard, Mr. McMillen and Carl McIntire.

A tree was decorated with dollar bills and the money was turned over to the benevolence committee to provide a merry Christmas for a needy family.

Danes' Queen Mother In Weaker Condition

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — Denmarks' Christmas celebrations were darkened today by the worsening condition of Queen Mother Alexandrine, who underwent a major operation a week ago. Doctors described her condition as "extremely critical."

Dolls for Churchill And Queen, from Japs, Are Held for Duty

LONDON (AP) — Neither Queen Elizabeth II nor Prime Minister Churchill expected them, so two dolls—charmingly attired in Japanese costumes—were detained at London Airport today.

The dolls came by British Overseas Airways Comet airliner and were the gift of the Japanese Students Union to the monarch and her Prime Minister.

The customs official who impounded them explained someone had to pay the duty on the gifts. It couldn't be learned immediately who would.

Duke Invites Carolers To Sing for Royalty

SANDRINGHAM, England (AP) — Carol singers were chorusing merrily outside Sandringham House—the royal lodge—last night when a tall, handsome man stepped out into the cold air.

"Wouldn't you like to come in?" asked the Duke of Edinburgh. "It must be cold outside."

The 20 villagers from nearby Dersingham accepted with pleasure and continued their caroling in the drawing room, led by plant nurseryman Leslie Tuck on his fiddle.

The listeners included Queen Elizabeth II and her husband, Queen Mother Elizabeth, Princess Margaret, the Duchess of Kent, and the latter's daughter Princess Alexandra.

Elizabeth To Speak On Radio Christmas Day

LONDON (AP)—Queen Elizabeth's Christmas radio address, her first as sovereign, will begin tomorrow three minutes later than usual—at 3:03 p.m. (10:03 a.m., EST). It will be the first delay since the royal broadcasts started 20 years ago.

The Queen approved the change so that more than 1,000 overseas radio stations which will carry the address can be cued in to pick up the broadcast.

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Hughesville Homes Have Christmas Guests

HUGHESVILLE — During the Christmas holidays the following persons will be guests of families in Hughesville:

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Foster, Sue and Gary, Hutchinson, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Cleet Helms and son, Cleet III, Tipton, of Mrs. E. E. Foster and son.

Richard Meyer, Wheatland, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Meyer, Jerry, Linda and Colleen, Marshall; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Meyer, Hughesville; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stevens, the parents of the host, of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meyer and son.

Mrs. John Matches, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Lawson McCurdy, Dayton, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Duly, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Jack May, Alabama; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bealert, Hughesville; Mr. and Mrs. Bill May and son, Jim, of the home, of Lee May.

Mrs. Mildred Rages, St. Charles; Mrs. Katheryn Rages, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Boyd, Warrensburg; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barrick, Sedalia; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rages Jr., David and Kathy, Hughesville; Mr. and Mrs. Julian Fowler, Donald and Marthat, Hughesville, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rages.

The Bard on Christmas

What Shakesperean play has a particular connection with Christmas? It is "Love's Labour Lost," and it was first presented as a private entertainment at Christmas, 1593, when the regular theaters of London were closed because of the plague.

Lodge Notices

The regular meeting of the Sedalia Shrine Club will be held Saturday, Dec. 20, at 7:30 p. m., in the Legion Hall at 114½ East Fifth street. All Nobles invited to attend.

N. H. Lewis, Pres.
L. C. Judd, Sec'y.

The regular meeting of Job's Daughters will not be held this Wednesday evening. A Christmas party will be held at the Elks' Club on Tuesday, Dec. 30th.

Nancy Vaughn, H. Q.
Barbara Grady, Rec.

Musical Notes Club Gives a Party

Musical Notes Club, piano pupils of Mrs. Clarence J. Hiltenburg, Smithton, enjayed a Christmas party at the home of their teacher Friday night, Dec. 19.

An impromtu program of Christmas music and a dance was given by the pupils. After this games were played. Refreshments were furnished by the mothers. Gifts were exchanged.

Members of the club who appeared on the program were: Misses Patricia and Wilma Quint, Virginia and Diana Hiltenburg. Guests other than the members were: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Quint, Clarence J. Hiltenburg and Gloria.

In Britain an automobile headlight is called a headlamp.

About Town

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren of Joplin are here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Warren, 1702 West Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mayfield and son, Ricky, Skokie, Ill., have arrived to spend Christmas holidays with Mrs. Mayfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Judson Banks, 2009 East Broadway. Another daughter, Mrs. Thomas Williamson, and Mr. Williamson, Kansas City, are expected to arrive Wednesday.

Judge E. W. Couey, 1020 West Fourth, received in his Christmas mail a card from Gov. Forrest Smith. The large and beautiful card has a picture of the governor, his wife, two daughters, two sons-in-law and grandchildren in the living room of the mansion.

Pfc. John E. Mein, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mein, route 1, Cole Camp, returned home last Wednesday by plane from Camp Pendleton, Calif., for a Christmas leave. Mein was drafted into the Marines Feb. 7 of this year and has been assigned to the Third Marine Division. He must report back to the post Jan. 5.

Mrs. Bill Thurman returned home Sunday from a week's visit with her husband who is in the U.S. Navy Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill. Bill recently underwent surgery on his right hip, which was fractured along with his pelvis in a car accident Nov. 30. His condition is satisfactory.

Herbert Frazier, well known retired compositor who worked on The Sedalia Democrat several years ago, is here from Colorado Springs, Colo., for a brief visit. He will return there Wednesday night.

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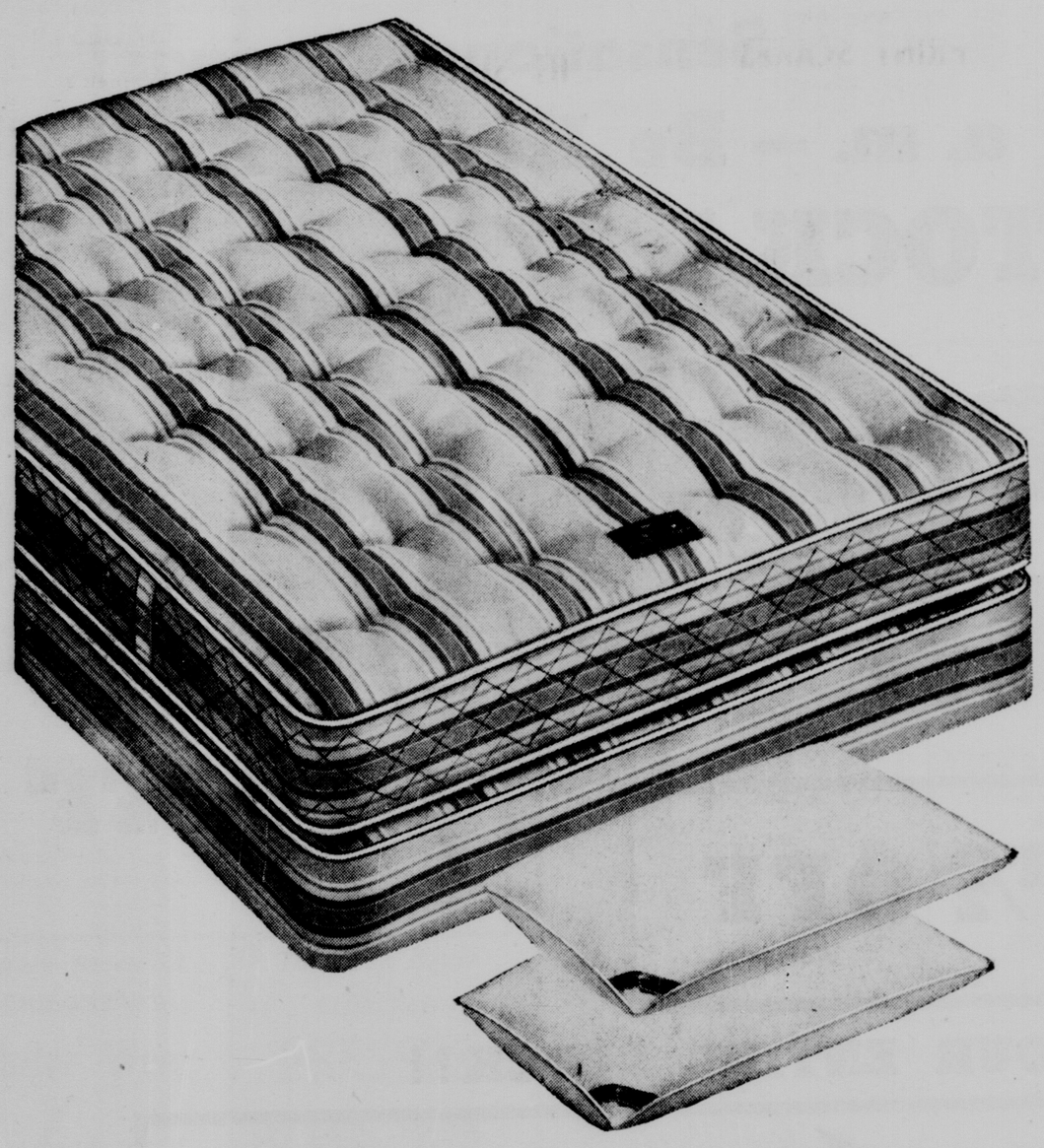

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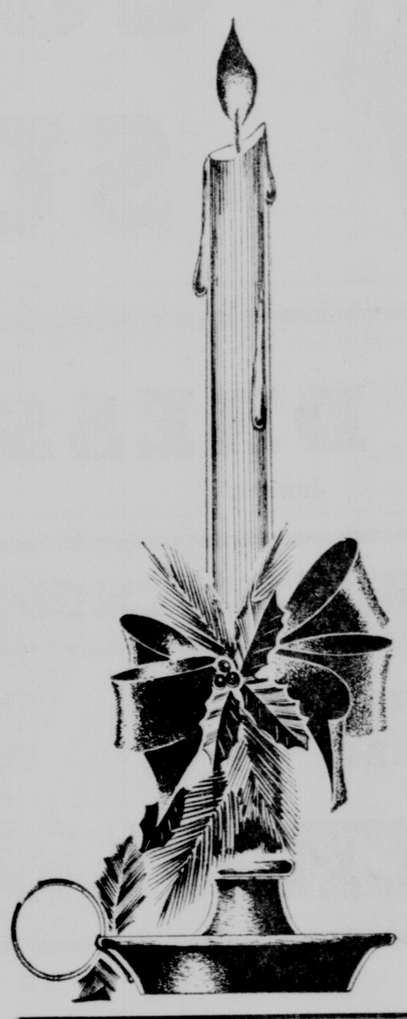

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you;

to ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world;

to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground;

to see that your fellow men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy;

to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give life;

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FORTUNA — A family dinner was held on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Knife in honor of their grandson, Vernon Hofstetter, U.S. Navy. Those present were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hofstetter, and the following sisters and brothers with their families: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bestgen and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coale and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hofstetter and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hofstetter and Mrs. Ed Garber Jr., all of California, Mo., and Miss Darlene, Mis Kay and Miss Ramona Hofstetter and Ross Hoffstetter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Drake were visitors in California on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wehmeir and son of Blue Springs were guests here over the week-end of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wehmeir and Vera. Miss Vera Wehmeir spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Wehmeir and son at the home of Mrs. Wehmeir's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Blankenship, near Latham.

Mrs. Cynthia Akins of Versailles spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Akins and family.

George Albert Drake, who has employment in Kansas City, spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Drake.

The program at the West View school was well attended on Friday night. Refreshments of fruit and candies were served. Paul Fischer is the teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eckelberry of Richmond were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Hofstetter and Merrilyn. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Eckelberry, Mr. and Mrs. Hofstetter and daughter, Merrilyn, Mrs. Rose Rodner and daughter, Audrey, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Chapman of Versailles were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rodner.

Mr. and Mrs. Zora Charles and Sgt. and Mrs. Fritz Akins of Scott Field, Ill., were recent guests here of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Akins.

son, Don, and Miss Naomi Woods were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Charles and sons in Independence.

Miss Ruth Newkirk was a week-end guest here of Mrs. Lloyd Dornan and Mr. Dornan.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fowler and son, E. H., of Otterville, were guests Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Foley.

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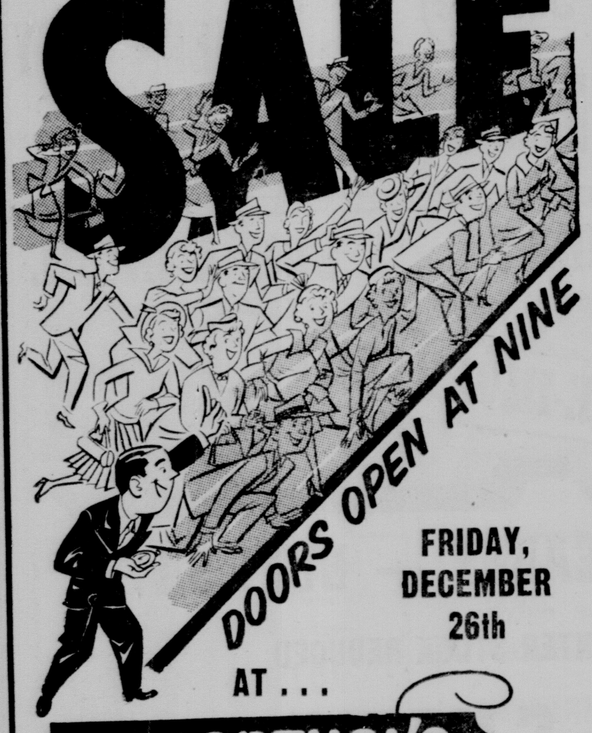

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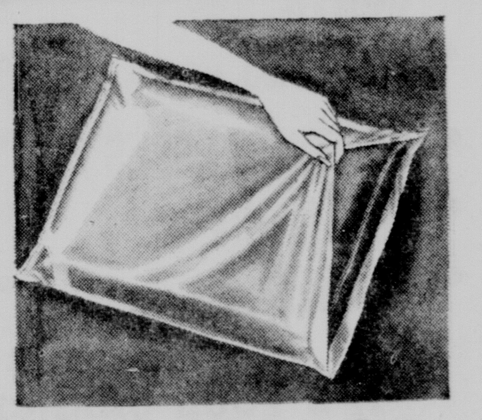

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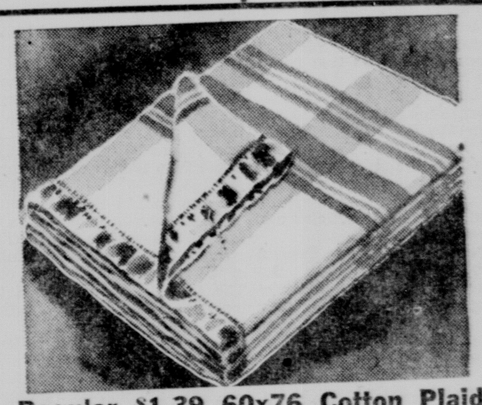

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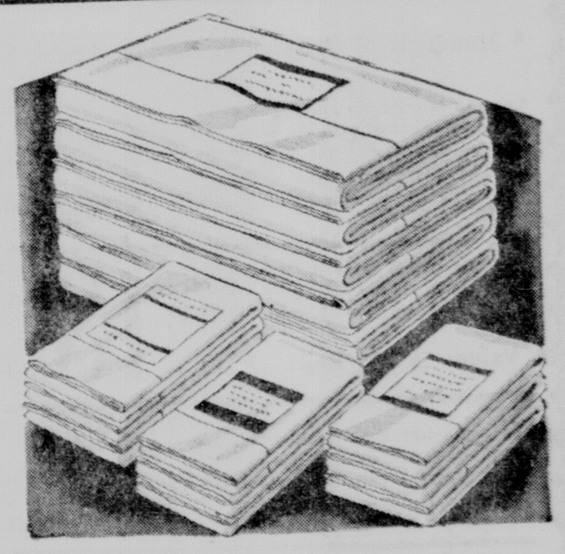

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Pope Speaks To Poor Today In Yule Talk

ROME (AP)—Pope Pius XII addressed his 14th annual Christmas plea for peace today to the world's "poor and oppressed" and criticized communism for its attack on the Christian faith and capitalism because it has not done enough to improve man's economic lot.

Replying to the Christmas greetings of the College of Cardinals, the Roman Catholic Pontiff's message to the Christian world was broadcast in Italian over the Vatican radio. The radio planned to repeat the speech at 45-minute intervals in translations into 23 other languages.

The modern world, said the Pope, faces two grave difficulties —a difficulty of economics and a difficulty of conscience.

The difficulty of conscience, he continued, is caused by a condemnation of the Christian faith, which has led to the torture of men. This was interpreted as a clear reference to communism and the persecution of the church in the countries communism has conquered.

Turning to economics, the Pontiff said much has been done to try to solve the world's unemployment problem, but more must be done. These were his recommendations:

Superfluous luxury expenditures should be reduced. Capitalists should put their money into use to aid suffering people rather than holding it in dead deposits. Where private enterprise is inadequate, governments should intercene with public works.

He expressed hope that he would see a reduction in what he described as the disproportionate levels of life between rich and poor individuals and rich and poor nations.

But the Pontiff added the hope that this would not be brought about by mere mechanization, for "society is not a machine;" even in the economic field it is not a machine.

Voicing criticism of economic organizations on both "this side and that side" of the ocean—apparentlly the Communist and non-Communist worlds as well — the Pope said industrialism has brought benefits to the people, but it now tends towards an impersonal development of man that tyranizes the human spirit.

"The technicians of production and organization cannot by themselves create a world without misery," he asserted.

He spoke out also against two present-day "deformations." The first — apparently communism— was "cold, theoretical articles and rigid formulas."

"Salvation," said the Pontiff, "cannot be born from chaos." But "it is superstitious to think of employing rigid formulas" to build a world.

The Pope directed the world to look towards "the sun of hope" of the Christian Christmas. But he clearly indicated his sorrow at the oppression rife in the world.

Describing his heart as "heavy with sorrow," the Pontiff said that in the seven years since World War II ended, suffering has increased, not lessened. The world still is one of "anxiety and tears."

The Pope touched also on the problems of the world's increased population and immigration. He attacked attempts to control births as a false measure of interference with personal rights.

He also criticized labor organizations that are primarily concerned with their own members and give no attention to the needs of the jobless.

The Pope spoke for 45 minutes, concluding with his apostolic blessing to the world.

Prince Charles and Sister Await Santa's Visit

AP Newsfeatures

WOLFERTON, Norfolk, England —There will be more than a little noise at a Royal mansion called Sandringham house this Christmas. For Prince Charles, husky four - year - old and Princess Anne, who is two, are at noisy ages.

The British royal family will as usual, be at nearby Sandringham for Christmas. Queen Elizabeth, the duke of Edinburgh, their children, the queen mother Elizabeth and princess Margaret will be there, and relatives and a few friends will be invited.

From a study overlooking a board terrace the queen will make her Christmas broadcast to the whole of her empire in the afternoon. It is the room normally used for these Christmas talks by the head of the British nation and commonwealth. The first was made by King George V in 1932 and since then they have been skipped only two years, 1936 and 1938.

Not a Recording This Time

Always, except once, they have been "live" broadcasts. The talk last year by the ailing George VI, weak after a lung operation, was a recording, an effort of considerable difficulty in which listeners around the world could detect the strains under which he labored to keep his annual appointment with "my people". The broadcast by his daughter this year will be "live".

The fact that the king died since last Christmas, and that he was at an unusually big Christmas party last year, will give older members of the family some melancholy reflections. So more than usual, it will be a festival for the children, and they will be expected to make it a merry day.

Prince Charles by now knows all that a child needs to know about Christmas, and Princess Anne is catching up fast. The queen and the children have arranged to come to Sandringham some days before Christmas, and Prince Charles hoped it would be soon enough so he could be of some help to Jim Brown.

It's Jim Brown's business, as head forester on the 7,000 acre Sandringham estate, to pick out, and chop down, and set up just the correct spruce tree. He sets it up in the big ball room of Sandringham House, and it must be just the right height — 12 feet —to allow for the star on top. Then around the tree he sets trestle tables, and on these are spread the presents for everyone. Jim Brown also drags in a very large log for the fireplace and, as is proper in an English home, the yule log and the glittering tree become twin hearts of the Christmas festival.

150 Rooms; 75 Servants

Sandringham house is a three-storied stone mansion of 150 rooms, many gables, turrets and hundreds of windows. It is out in the country. The adjacent village of Sandringham has a population of only about 100. The estate lies in a flat countryside just a few miles from the North sea, and it is a region which can become very cold and desolate. Desolate particularly are some of the moors where bracken and thickets, rather than trees and farm lands, are features of a somewhat cheerless landscape. With a little luck of weather there might be some snow for the toy sleds which are sure to be among the presents for royal youngsters. There is certainly room to maneuver them on the spacious lawns.

The moors which on a day of sleet or fog look so dreary are precisely the feature of the region which first attracted notice of British kings. The moors made excellent breeding grounds for grouse, partridges and pheasants. Both George and George VI were expert shots, and the last king introduced the Duke of Edinburgh to the delights of hunting.

WHERE'S SANTA? Princess Anne and Prince Charles wait.

The duke has become an enthusiast, and some hunting is sure to be on the program of his Christmas season. The birds being hunted at present are partridges, and the estate staff hopes it has managed to chase out most of the poachers.

Bring Home the Bacon!

So what the royal family eats in the Christmas season may depend in part on the Duke's skill with a shot gun. There will be game, more or less, and turkey is a traditional bird.

The family travels to Sandringham some days before Christmas, preceded by about 50 servants of Buckingham palace to augment the royal mansion's permanent staff of a couple of dozen. The real observance of Christmas starts on the eve'. In recent years a Salvation army choir from the village of Dersingham has come over to serenade the family with a program of carols. The singers are invited in for refreshments.

Parcel opening time is after breakfast on Christmas Day, and this year, growing children being about, it is expected to be the noisiest moment of the day. Royal Christmas presents usually are simple objects, useful or of sentimental interest. Such gifts as automobiles, yachts and polo ponies are given on other occasions, although the queen may have a suspicion that she will be getting some jewelry.

Church on the Estate

In the forenoon the family goes to the service in the church of St. Mary Magdalene, on the estate grounds, at which villagers and farmers may worship. It was in this little church that the body of King George VI firstlay in state, last February.

At Sandringham, the chief Christmas meal comes at mid day. At 3 p. m., the queen makes her talk on the world - girding radio network. She is not afraid of a microphone. Her voice is high and clear and she is a lady of unusual poise.

After that—relaxation. Sandringham becomes a lonely, inaccessable spot in Norfolk. The royal family becomes a private family. Head scarves, mackintoshes and flat heeled shoes for the women, while hunting clothes or most anything that's comfortable become the favorite attire of the men.

It is the custom to remain in this semi - retirement well into January.

Doctors Donate Surgery As Christmas Present To Blind Boy, Girl

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — Two surgeons donated the skill of their hands today as Christmas presents to a brother and sister, blind since birth.

If today's operations are successful—something it will require six months to determine — Ignacio Rodelo, 13, and Emma Rodelo, 12, also can thank Mrs. Josephine Andazola. Their cases were recommended to the surgeons by Mrs. Andazola, whose Free Methodist missionary territory includes their hometown, Tecate, Baja California, Mexico.

The surgeons said the two children were born with bilateral congenital cataracts and operative treatment promises to give them 80 per cent of normal vision.

Many Return To Stover For Holiday

By Mrs. Arthur Ward

STOVER—Lt. Robert Kraxberger from Tucson, Ariz., and Billy Kraxberger, a student at Missouri University, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kraxberger, and Mary Lou.

Miss Seba Weaver left Tuesday for Cushing, Okla., where on Wednesday she attended the funeral of her stepmother, Mrs. Ida Counterman, age 87. Mrs. Counterman died at the home of her daughter after an illness of five years. She is survived by six children, four stepchildren, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Miss Weaver returned home Friday.

Mrs. Opal Johnson of Sedalia spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wray, and was accompanied home by her mother for a five-day visit.

Mrs. Ricka Schroeder, 87, suffered a stroke Wednesday and is bedfast.

The Rev. and Mrs. Van Leer left Monday for Maryville where they will spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. James Harper, and sister.

The Homemakers Club held its annual Christmas party at the Club House Friday night with 15 members present.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jim DeLong were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill James and family.

Clifford Royland was taken to St. Mary's Hospital in Jefferson City Friday night for medical treatment.

Willard Neil Johnson of Kansas City will spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bowers and family of Kansas City came Saturday night and spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schrivner. Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Wenger were also Sunday guests.

John Fajen of St. Louis is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr and Mrs. Otto Fajen.

Mrs. Mike Kraxberger has been taking daily treatments at a Jefferson City Hospital the past week.

Mrs. Eunice Rowland left Sunday for St. Louis, where she will spend a week with her son, Eugene and family, and daughter, Mrs. Gladys Kirkpatrick and family. Her daughter, Miss Viola of Kansas City will spend Christmas there. Mrs. Thelma Houschild will take Mrs. Rowland's place caring for Mr. and Mrs. John Kraxberger during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott were Sunday guests of her sister, Mrs. Frank Schenewerk, and husband in Lincoln.

Mrs. August Brandt was taken seriously ill Sunday night and is under the care of Dr. Gunn. Her daughter, Mrs. Lumas Gehrs, and husband had planned to leave Monday morning for Silver City, N. M., to visit their son Donald but are waiting for Mrs. Brandt's recovery.

The Lions Club held its annual Family Night Christmas party in the club rooms Monday night.

Fred Meisner is recovering from a fall. A ladder slipped while he was working on the Charles Schlesselman house and he broke several ribs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blackman of Fredericktown came Sunday to spend a part of their vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J Blackman, and John.

The music department of our school gave an enjoyable program Monday night. It was directed by Mrs. Joe Kimbrell assisted by Mrs. Jewell Stevinson.

Miss Christine Gottwald has recovered from injuries received in a fall.

Pvt. and Mrs. Leon Fisher are here from a California Army camp where he is stationed. They are spending his furlough in the Fisher and Stucker homes.

Stanley Small, student at CSMC spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Small, and Phillip. He will spend the rest of his vacation working in the Kansas City Post Office.

Seaman Robert Alpers of Memphis, Tenn., is spending his Christmas furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Alpers and sisters.

Sgt. Herbert Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ttylor, arrived Saturday from serving in Korea and has received his discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Kohm and son of Kansas City spent the weekend with Mrs. Kohm's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fisher and son of Kansas City spent the weekend with home folks.

Dr. and Mrs. Roy F. Williams were Sedalia shoppers Thursday and called on her mother, Mrs. S. P. Harris.

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Cash Registers Jingle Merry Christmas Tune

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The spirit of old St. Nick has been thumping out a merry tune on Missouri cash registers.

A survey of major cities today showed that with few exceptions retailers in the state reported Christmas buying well ahead of last year, regarded a banner year for the season.

Most of the merchants declined to talk in figures, but some individuals put the increase at from 20 to 30 per ceent. One St. Louis retailer said for his store it may be the "Biggest Christmas ever."

Post office business, generally a good index, bore this out. Many had set or were on the verge of new records. From Dec. 1 to Dec. 22, the Kansas City Post Office handled 812,000 sacks of parcel post. That is 142,000 more than for the same period a year ago.

Most Jefferson City merchants figured their volume was up from 1 0to 20 per cent over 1951, with the Post Office there reporting a 20 per cent increase in volume. An overall estimate from Carthage merchants showed a similar increase there.

Several large St. Louis retailers reported their Yuletide business slightly better than a year ago. Kansas City stores reported their volume up about eight per cent, with one guessing 10 per cent. One store has had two of its largest days in its history.

Some Mexico retailers said their business was up 20 to 30 percent, but there were others who reported a slight downturn from 1951.

At Poplar Bluff, the storemen are looking for a greater dollar and cents business, despite the fact that some merchandise is cheaper. Post office business there is up 17 per cent so far this month. Two banks in that city reports bank deposits nearly wo million dollars greater than last year.

Leading Brookfield stores report business generally "good,"—not booming— but better than last year's. The Post Office business from a monetary standpoint is up four per cent. A survey among Hannibal merchants showed sales up considerably over last year. Fulton merchants also reported their dollar volume ahead.

At Springfield, Christmas business was reported "pretty strong," despite the fall drought which reduced the income of many farm families. One merchant put it like this: "Well, business is good this year, but last year's record was too good to reach."

St. Joseph storemen reported their Christmas business would equal the very biggest they ever had. Some said they already had passed the previous record for a new high. This is despite the gas line break which disrupted business for two days.

And as to what the customers were buying for the Christmas tree there were about as many variations as what a small boy expects Santa to bring him.

Take toys, for instance. They've been moving faster than last year, with the big demand for atomic and space-man stuff.

At Jefferson City such traditional toys as drums were gathering dust on the shelves.

And here's a nostalgic note from Hannibal. There hobby horses—the big seller of a half century ago—were in big demand. The rocking steeds have been selling so fast that only a few of the smaller ones are left.

Smart was the merchant who stocked up this season on cashmere sweaters. One Jefferson City women's wear store owner, said instead of blouses selling for $10 and up, the buyers were going in for the cashmeres at twice the price. There was a similar report from Springfield, merchants saying college and business girls consider such a sweater a "must" in their wardrobe.

In these two cities heavy appliances were moving slowly with the exception of TV sets. In the Capital city a men's wear store owner said neckties and white shirts were "dead", being replaced by items of sports wear.

And as for universal complaints there were these:

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Essie Mae Bowen Services

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, at the Huston-Turner Funeral Home in Windsor, for Mrs. Essie Mae Hampton Bowen, who died at her home at Windsor Sunday. The Rev. William J. Moore, pastor of the Windsor Baptist Church, officiated.

Mrs. Lloyd Merryfield and Mrs. Clark Henry, accompanied by Mrs. Lois Johnston at the organ, sang "Beyond the Sunset" and "Near to the Heart of God."

Pallbearers were Richard Beck, Homer Garrison, Victor Stohr, Bernie Ferguson, Joe Yartz and Waldo Craig.

Burial followed in Laurel Oak Cemetery.

Mrs. Bowen, daughter of Fred and Odes Hampton, was born April 22, 1926, near Ionia. She attended rural school near Ionia and graduated from Cole Camp High School in 1943. She joined the Antioch Baptist Church of Manila in November 1943. She moved to Windsor in 1944, working at the shoe factory and various other places in that town.

She married William G. Bowen on Aug. 7, 1944, ond to them two children were born· Sharon Faye, four years old, and William Gene, three years. Others surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hampton of Windsor; three sisters, Maurine Woodall of Sedalia, Kathryn Bucham and Arlice Madole of Windsor; four brothers, William Lee Hampton, Camp Beale Air Force, Marysville, Calif.; J. Howard Hampton, Camp Chaffee, Ark.; Lowell Fredrick and Charles Ross of the home. Two brothers preceded her in death.

Services For T. D. Robertson

Funeral services for Thomas D. Robertson, 701 East Broadway, retired MKT conductor who died at the company hospital in Parsons, Kan., Sunday night, were held at the Gillespie Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

The Rev. Ralph E. Hurd, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church, officiated and Russell Maag, staff soloist, sang "Abide With Me" and "The Lord's Prayer". Mrs. Mae Moser was at the organ.

Pallbearers were G. S. Young, Herbert C. Boss, Joe Raines, A. L. Fleming, Tom Adams and Harvey Brimmer.

Military services at the grave in Memorial Park Cemetery were by VFW Post No. 2508.

DAILY RECORD

Births

Son, Dec. 13, to the Rev. and Mrs. Howard Baltzer, Fortuna, at Gunn Clinic, Versailles. He has been named Samuel Warren.

Son, at Woodland Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Emmett H. Cox, Green Ridge, at 10:21 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24. Weight, seven pounds, 15 ounces.

Daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. McNamara Jr., 411 West 86th Street Terrace, Kansas City, at 1:15 a.m. Dec. 20, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Kansas City. Weight, seven pounds, eight ounces. Mr. McNamara is a grandson of Mrs. Isabel McNamara, 824 West Sixth.

City Hospitals

BOTHWELL· Admitted for surgery: Mrs. Ethel Eirls, 1104 South Massachusetts.

Medical: Mrs. William Pate, Clarksburg; Mrs. Gertrude Quinn, 917½ West Third.

WOODLAND — Dismissed: Mrs. Mary Helen Wright, 1717 South Missouri; Tommy Montgomery, La Monte; Irs H. Moore, route 1, Sedalia.

In Other Hospitals

Mrs. W. C. Wallace, 1310 West 16th, who has been ill for some time and was a patient in Cook's Community Hospital in Windsor until three weeks ago, when she returned home, suffered a relapse Monday and was taken in Gillespie's ambulance back to the hospital in Windsor.

Police Reports

The Thurman Fruit Market, 302 East 16th, was entered sometime Tuesday night by thieves who stole $3 in currency and some change. A check is being made to ascertain if anything else is missing.

A petit larceny charge has been filed against Tommy Miller, 1301 South Ohio, in connection with taking a gun from the home of Police Officer Jesse Goode, 1502 South Ohio. It was Goode's gun that Miller was carrying when arrested by officers Monday night and over which, charged with carrying concealed weapons, he was fined $25 Tuesday morning.

Otto B. Decker, manager of the B and B Shoe Store, on South Ohio, reported to the police another show window was broken by a metal slug or bb-shot. In the past several months several windows have been broken at the store by person or persons shooting steel shot at the windows.

Police Court

One overtime parker failed to show up in police court Wednesday and the $1 bond was forfeited.

Probate Court

The Probate Court today appointed Maggie Jennings as administratrix in the estate of the late Henry Williams, who died Feb. 20. He lived ot 413 East Pettis.

His will named Amanda Oliver as executrix but renounced her right to serve. No heirs are listed.

Hickman of Columbia Defeats Fulton 67-47

Hickman High School of Columbia put the throttle on Fulton, Tuesday night to win 67-47 at Fulton. Hickman also won the "B" contest over Fulton 58-18.

Young was top scorer for Columbia with 17 while Maddox had 11 points for top honors for Fulton.

Water meters were introduced to prevent waste in Rome in 100 A. D.

Goldin's Car Goes to W. H. Brown of Near Green Ridge

The fortunate man who received that new Ford given away by Goldin's Super Market, 206 West Main, in its Christmas awards is W. H. Brown, route 2, Green Ridge. He has already been notified of his good fortune, and the names of the recipients of the other 39 gifts have been posted at the store.

Stanley Donell, Windsor, will soon be enjoying his new television set, and George W. Styles, 2412 South Collins, will be able to present someone with the clothes dryer he received.

Twenty baskets of groceries were also given away at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the market..

Following are the other winners' names and their gifts: Electric mixer, Mrs. G. L. Allee, Otterville; electric drill set, Mrs. W. A. Burton, 1021 East 17th; electric deep fryer, Effie Redman, 520 West Morgan; electric waffle maker, Nellie Coffey, Spring Fork; electric iron, E. A. Dumsday, route 2, Sedalia; Westinghouse sweeper, Corine Richardson, 815 North Ohio; Westinghouse radio, Mrs. Belle Hall, 1001 East 14th.

Electric toaster, George Deuschle, 309 East Seventh; electric heating pad, W. V. Hobson, 709 West Fifth; set of Mirro aluminumware, Mrs. J. H. Marr, 1401 South Ohio.

Pressure cooker, LeRoy Kidwell, route 2, Sedalia; coffee maker, Stella Williams, 512 East Fifth; fruit juicer, Mrs. H. P. Schissler, 605 South Missouri; set of dishes, William Jasper, 236 South Harrison; and three kitchen clocks—one each to August Hayes, Sedalia; C. E. Carroll, 600 West Fourth; and Wilbur Brockman, 1105 West 11th.

Already ten baskets of groceries have been called for, as have the clothes dryer, waffle maker, sweeper, toaster, aluminumware and coffee maker.

THE MARKETS

St. Louis Livestock

NATIONAL STOCKYARDS, Ill. (AP) — (USDA)—Hogs 9,500; open active; barrows and gilts steady to strong with Tuesday's average; later slow; sows steady to 25 lower; bulk choice 180-230 lbs 18.75-19.10; several loads mostly choice Nos. 1 and 2 under 225 lbs 19.15; 240-270 lbs largely 18.00-65; few 18.75; 280-300 lbs 17.00-85; 150-180 lbs 17.75-19.00; 120-140 lbs 15.50-17.00; sows 400 lbs down 15.25 - 16.00; heavier sows 13.25-15.00; boars 10.00-13.00.

Cattle 1,700, calves 500; little early demand; heifers and mixed yearlings active and fully steady to strong; bulls strong to 50 higher and vealers steady; good and choice heifers and mixed yearlings 22.00-27.00; utility and low commercial 15.00 - 17.00; utility and commercial cows 14.00-16.00; few to 16.50; canners and cutters 11.00-13.50; utility and commercial bulls 15.00-18.00; cutter bulls 12.50-14.50; good to prime vealers 26.00-36.00; individual head to 38.00; utility and commercial vealers 16.00-25.00.

Sheep 1,000; active; steady to 50 higher than Tuesday; choice and prime wooled lambs sparingly at 22.75-23.00 to shippers; few lots choice 22.00 to packers; load mostly choice No. 1 skins 21.00; about 300 head good and choice yearlings 19.25-50.

Chicago Produce

CHICAGO (AP) — Butter steady; receipts 426,265; wholesale buying prices unchanged; 93 score AA and 92 A 66.75; 90 B 64.25; 89 C 63.25; cars: 90 B 65.25; 89 C 64.

Eggs firm; receipts 9,194; wholesale buying prices unchanged; U. S. large 51; U. S. mediums 46; current receipts 37; dirties 36; checks 33.

About Town

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ferguson, 422 East 11th, have as their Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lange and daughters, Alice and Glenda, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Streitz, all of Wichita, Kan. Mrs. Lange is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Mawhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Russell Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Pete Drenas and Mrs. Max Riecke, all of Sedalia, will be Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Meyer and daughters, Karen and Patricia, at their home in Holden. Other guests of the Meyers' home for the day will be Mrs. Shirley Osborn and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Arnold and daughter, Brenda Lee, Kansas City.

Sen. Douglas Will Continue His Plea To GOP for Economy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Douglas (D-Ill), who often irked Truman administration officials by frequent demands for cuts in government spending, says he will continue his economy drive when the Republicans come into power.

Santa Trades His Sleigh for Train, Stops In Country

MISSOURI CITY, Mo. (AP)—Santa arrived by diesel train this morning.

He discarded his conventional reindeer for a fast 12-car express to bring Christmas to the William Huffmans and their ten children.

And what a Christmas!

There were 20 large cardboard boxes of presents and $314 in cash. The gifts ranged from hair tonic to cranberry sauce—and of course, toys enough to keep the children happy for a long time.

Appropriately enough the man who piloted the train and stopped it in front of the little Huffman home is named George Noell.

And the fat jolly man with the white whiskers was impersonated by L. L. Ewens.

This Christmas story was long in the making.

Noell is an engineer on the Wabash Railroad. Ewens is his fireman. They both live in Moberly, Mo.

Their train operates between St. Louis and Kansas City. They pass the Huffman home besides the track here daily.

At first Noell and Ewens would wave to the children playing near the tracks. Then they started tossing comic books, candy and toys out the window.

Trains rarely stop at Missouri City. But the two trainmen found out the Huffmans are having a hard time financially.

Noell and Ewens cooked up the idea of making this a real Christmas. They enlisted the aid of their fellow workers and collected money. They got permission from the railroad to make the special stop this morning.

Others found out about the Huffmans through stories in the newspapers.

Gifts snowballed in. The family got Christmas cards from all over the country. Huffman heard from a sister he hadn't seen in 20 years.

The children, Mary, 15; Margaret, 14; Fred, 12; Donna, 10; Christine, 9; Dorothy Jane, 7; Martha, 6; Judy, 4; Jimmy, 3; and Ray, 1, were up at 4:30 a. m.

"The kids had looked forward to this morning for a month," Mrs. Doris Huffman, the mother, said. "I don't think they got much sleep last night. They were too excited. As a matter of fact, I was pretty excited myself."

Others were there too.

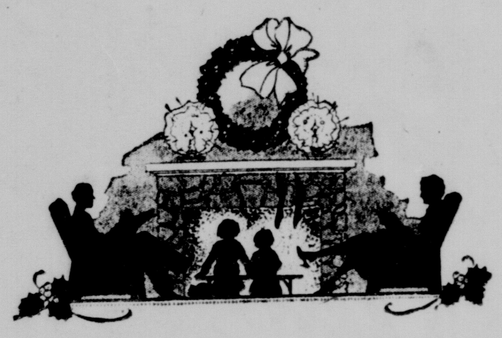
Sheriffs officers, railroad people, town residents and a crew of television cameramen (NBC) were there. The well-wishers numbered around 200 in all.

Mrs. Huffman said it all when she first heard about the Santa Claus express. She said:

"Seems like the Lord is watching out for us."

Inaugural Ball Tickets Demanded by 50,000

WASHINGTON (AP)—So many persons have asked about tickets to the inaugural ball—more than 50,000 of them so far, officials say—that the traditional climax to the presidential inauguration on Jan. 20 will be in two sections.



That this may be a gay and jolly Christmas in most homes;

That there will be a great deal of spiritual happiness in thoughts of Christ who gave us Christmas;

That the few who may be separated for reasons beyond their control will be together in spirit;

Is our Christmas wish for 1952.

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Sedalia Children

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school, one for his granddaddy and, because he couldn't slight either mother or grandmother, he is giving the other gift to both of them. The little boy and his small brother, not yet in school, wrapped the gifts all by themselves. They picked out the paper, the seals and the ribbon and there are no other packages under the three wrapped prettier than those two.

These is one little boy who is going to catch Santa this year. He has all his plans made. Tonight four-year-old Billy isn't going to sleep in his little bed as usual. He is going to sleep on the divan in the living room.

Nice thing about the tree — daddy put it right next to the divan—so Billy just can't miss. Tonight he is really going to sleep on the divan, but in all probability when Santa finds him there he will just take him right upstairs and put him in his own bed. Santa always takes time to do things like that on Christmas Eve.

Dale is only seven and he's never real sure everyone understands things exactly as he does—and especially not at Christmas.

This morning at 4:30 o'clock his mother and daddy were aroused by the lights going on in the living room. Investigating, they found Dale searching under the tree, giving everything there a good going once-over.

Asked for an explanation, he said he had heard a lot in the past few days about people rushing to get things done early, and not leaving them to the last minute. He thought perhaps Santa might have done some of that kind of thinking and come early — to Dale's house.

Well Santa had not arrived, but the parents have fair warning it will be an early start they'll get come tomorrow.

It was two nights before Christmas and the small boy, all dressed up as Santa Claus, was going around with his grandmother to deliver Christmas gifts. He was having a grand time telling people "Merry Christmas," handing out packages and asking grownups if they had been good girls or good boys.

While he was riding along from house to house he was thinking of Christmas Eve, the night he would hang up the big sock for Santa to fill, and the more he thought about it the more he was sure that it was that night he should hang up his sock.

"I'm going to hang up my big sock tonight," he told his grandmother.

"But tonight isn't the night Santa comes," said grandmother. "It is tomorrow night."

"Tonight is the night to hang it up," he argued. "Tomorrow is Christmas."

"No," said his grandmother, "tomorrow is Christmas Eve. The next day is Christmas."

"I'm going to hang up my sock tonight, anyway," said the child. "You might be confused."

"I'm confused at this time of year all right," laughed the grandmother, "but I'm not that confused. I still know when Christmas Eve comes."

But the little boy hung up his sock, just to be sure—and grandmother was right. Old Man Santa didn't show up.

"What do you want Santa to bring you?" someone asked of a small boy.

"I want an electric train," came the reply.

"Well, have you been a good boy?" he was asked. "You know Santa only brings electric trains to boys who have been good."

"I've been pretty good," said the child.

"To boys who have been only pretty good," he was told, "Santa brings a bunch of switches."

"Oh, yes," said the little boy. "They go good with electric trains —they have to have switches."

Dutch Arrest Tass Agent as Red Spy

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands, (AP)—The Dutch last night arrested the Netherlands correspondent of the Soviet news agency Tass as a suspected spy.

A foreign Office communique said the Soviet journalist, 37-year-old Lev Constantinovitch Pissarev, had secret documents in his possession when he was taken into custody by police of this capital city.

Morse Named To Agriculture Post by Ike

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—President-elect Eisenhower today chose True D. Morse of St. Louis, Mo.—a Republican who was a Democrat until about 20 years ago—for the job of under secretary of agriculture in the new administration.

Morse, 56-year-old board chairman of a farm management service and editor of a farm publication, will serve as top aide to Ezra Taft Benson of Salt Lake City, secretary of agriculture-designate.

The nomination of Morse and others Eisenhower has named to key posts will go to the Senate for confirmation after the general takes office Jan. 20.

recommended Morse — who was James C. Hagerty, said Benson born on a Missouri farm. The job pays $17,500 a year.

Hagerty described Morse as an Eisenhower supporter during the campaign.

Morse is chairman of the board of Doane Agricultural Service of St. Louis, the oldest and largest farm management appraisal and farm research service in the country. He has been editor of the Doane agriculture Digest since 1938.

He is vice president of the American Farm Economists Association and a past president of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers.

He is a member of the Christian (Disciples of Christ) church. He is president of his church in St. Louis and has a long record of church work there.

He was born on a farm at Carthage, Mo., Jan. 21, 1896. He was graduated from the Agriculture College of the University of Missouri in 1924. He was an agricultural economist at the university and also worked for the missouri State Farm Bureau.

Eisenhower's selection of Morse came as the general made ready to spend Christmas in New York with his family, including three grandchildren, and in the wake of a conference on government reorganization and other matters with former President Hoover.

Clark Says Faith In Yule Spirit Will Gain Goal

TOKYO (AP) — Gen. Mark W. Clark told troops of his United Nations Command today that the faith expressed in the Christmas spirit "will bring us to our goal."

The U. N. commander's Christmas message said:

"The spirit of Christmas is an expression of hope that has existed for nearly two thousand years—the hope of peace on earth and good will toward men.

"Although the world has passed through many dark and critical times these past two thousand years, it is man's belief, however dark the hour may seem, that eventually the light of fellowship will show the way of peace on earth.

"This hope, through the centuries, has kept alive the promise of a world from which hatreds will be banished. The faith expressed in the spirit of Christmas, which has helped us and given us fortitude, will bring us to our goal.

"To all of you, this Christmas, I extend my warmest greetings and earnest hopes for the bright days to come."

Ike Gives Red Cross 'Hell' For Not Taking Blood from Those 60

NE YORK (AP) — The president of the American Red Cross said jokingly today that President-elect Eisenhower "gave me hell" because the organization wont' accept blood donations from people over 60. Eisenhower is 62.

E. Roland Harriman, head of the Red Cross, called on Eisenhower at his Commodore Hotel headquarters to tell the President-Elect about the duties he will assume soon as honorary chairman of the Red Cross.

Harriman told newsmen Eisenhower has been a lifelong friend of the Red Cross.

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Times Says Ike Has Korean War Plan All Set

NEW YORK (AP)—The New York Times reported today that the Eisenhower administration has a new strategic plan for the Korean War pressure on the Communist forces that the Soviet Union will agree to an armistice."

The Times said in a story by Thomas J. Hamilton, under a United Nations dateline, that the new plan was worked out by the high command in the new administration of President - Elect Eisenhower.

Hamilton wrote that "for obvious reasons no details can be made public, but the basic premises on which the plan has been formulated are the following:

"The Kremlin will have to be convinced by deeds and words that under the new administration the United States will not pull out of Korea and that neither will it give way on the issue of the repatriation of prisoners of war.

Parking Meters Will Collect Polio Dimes

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — The March-of-Dimes campaign in Springfield will be assisted by the use of the city's parking meters as receptacles for donations.

The local chapter has arranged with city officials to allow donors to deposit their dimes in the meters. All dimes collected will be turned over to the polio fund. Signs will be placed on all meters advising passer-by they may use them for donations.

Sedalian and Baby Pictured In Times

A picture of Mrs. James J. Johnston, the former Miss Patricia Curnutt, and her eight month daughter, Shelley Rose, appeared in the Wednesday edition of Kansas City Times. Mrs. Johnston is pictured showing her small daughter an ornament on the large Christmas tree at CMSC, Warrensburg. Mrs. Johnston is a freshman at the college. The baby's daddy, who is in the Air Force and on duty in Japan, has never seen Shelley Rose, but he expects to be home next spring.

Mrs. Johnston is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Curnutt, 319 West Sixth.

Death Toll to Four In Bakelite Blast

PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP N., J. (AP)—The death toll in yesterday's flash explosion in a building of the Bakelite Company rose to four early today.

Umberto Spaziano, 33, Bound Brook, died at Somerset Hospital, in nearby Somerville, of injuries suffered in the blast.

Two other workmen, John Lapinski, 41, Franklin Township, and Frank Diamente, 35, North Plainfield, died yesterday. A fourth was found dead in the debris of the building.

Lost $500 Ring Back To Its Owner

KANSAS CITY (AP) — A lost $500 ring was returned to its owner Tuesday in Kansas City after the finder read of a three hour search for it in curbside snow.

4 Million Businesses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. has about four million business firms, the Commerce Deprtment reported yesterday, most of them "very small" and half of them only about four years old.

The department made a survey, based on the business population at the end of 1951. It found there were 4,014,000 business firms, not counting farm ownership.

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Runs Amuck, Slashes Wife, Kills 3 Tots

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—The sheriff's office said a young high school teacher climaxed an argument with his estranged wife by stabbing her, battering their three children to death and cutting his own throat late yesterday.

The children's bodies were found amidst broken Christmas decorations and toys.

The teacher, Archie Connett, 31, described by his principal as "competent, calm and one of our best teachers," lay near death today at Santa Clara County Hospital.

His wife Wynona, 28, who was stabbed twice and chased from her home at nearby Supertino, was recovering but still under sedatives.

She had not been told that Connett, after sending her screaming from the house, apparently had picked up the children by their heels and bashed them to death against the floor, furniture and walls.

They were Carl, 3 months; Teresa, 2½, and Michael, 4.

Sheriff's Capt. James Cunningham said Connett, who had been estranged from his wife for several months, came to her home two days ago to visit the children for the holidays.

But yesterday afternoon Mrs. Connett suggested he spend his nights at his apartment at San Lorenzo, 30 miles away. A violent argument followed.

Suddenly, Cunningham said, the teacher grabbed a knife and slashed Mrs. Connett. Not wounded seriously, she followed him into a large nursery-bedroom where Michael was playing with Carl.

"Don't hurt the kids," she yelled. But Connett slashed at her again and sent her screaming to a neighbor's house, then turned on the youngsters.

Man Who Played Santa To Thousands Dies On Eve of Christmas

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., (AP) — Silas Dent, the hermit of Cabbage Key, is dead.

The kindly old fellow who played Santa Claus to countless thousands of youngsters during his 72 years, died this morning in a local rest home.

He was tagged as a "hermit" over 40 years ago when he moved to the isolated island in Boca Ciega Bay near St. Petersburg.

The hermit, with his long whiskers and hair and the thatched-roof hut in which he lived, has been featured in many syndicated newspaper columns and magazines.

Californian Writes For Local Calendar

Missouri calendars are better than those in California and proof was had this week as the Ohio Street Drug Store received a request one of the firm's 1953 date-tellers be sent to San Diego.

The request came from a woman who undoubtedly is a former Sedalian, although she is unknown to the drug store employees. She told them she wanted one of their "St. Joseph's calendars," which are the kind they have been giving for about 10 years.

SCATTERED FAMILIES

return to the family home at Christmas time, and that is an appropriate time to select the family memorial.

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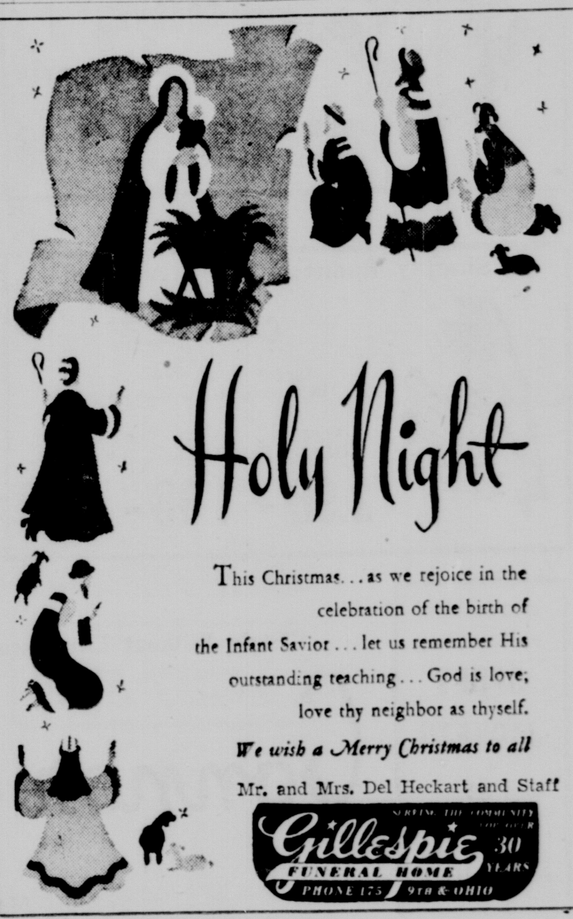

Holy Night

This Christmas... as we rejoice in the celebration of the birth of the Infant Savior... let us remember His outstanding teaching... God is love; love thy neighbor as thyself.

We wish a Merry Christmas to all

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Most of us realize that Christmas is most enjoyable if we can share it with children, and in this land we should be thankful that our children can look forward to everything that makes Christmas Day a child's paradise. May your Christmas be a happy, uplifting day—as full of joy as a child's Christmas.

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Funeral Home

Soprano Traubel Admits Surprise at GI Opera Likes

SEOUL (AP)—Soprano Helen Traubel admitted to some surprise today after turning grand opera loose on American soldiers and getting a foot-stomping, whistling cry for more.

Miss Traubel, Wagner and the American soldier in Korea were all fast friends after two days of concerts. She packed the house.

The Metropolitan Opera star admitted she felt a little fearful about coming to Korea and was "surprised" at the GI. reaction to grand opera.

"I'm no Betty Hutton—and she's good—and I was a little worried." Miss Traubel told a soldier audience last night after they had brought her back on stage with volleys of whistles, hand-clapping and even a few sophisticated "bravos."

The big-voiced opera star sang in a frigid Seoul Theater, where her breath condensed into cold clouds as she hit the high notes.

Once in her opera and concert career, she had been troubled in one place "with bats flying back and forth," she said, but never before had she been able to watch her songs as they came out.

Earlier in the day, the St. Louis opera star had another unusual first in her concert career.

She sang aboard the hospital ship Consolation and could not even see her accompaniest, who was playing a small organ in the far corner of a messhall.

"I just struck out and sang," she laughed, "and we got together as we went along."

Miss Traubel, in private Mrs. William Bass, toured the wards with her husband, then sang over the ship's loudspeaker system.

She said after seeing the wounded she "sang soft things" —no Wagner.

"It is wonderful what they are doing there," she added, "how they are taking care of the wounded. Those boys are wonderful. I am so glad I came."

School Teachers In Japan Going To Yule School

TOKYO (AP) — Hundreds of American schoolteachers in Japan—Department of Army civilians—will still be going to school during the holidays, while their pupils are at home.

"That's the regulation," said Lt. Col. James T. Dean of the Army's personnel section. "Regulations require that the DACs either have to be working or on leave. If they go on leave they do it without pay."

The husband of one DAC said the teachers are "hopping mad about this whole thing...sitting out at the schools twiddling their thumbs."

Students from elementary schools through high school don't have to come back to school until Jan. 5.

But teachers must report back next Monday and "work" through the week.

"What work will they do with no pupils?" Dean was asked.

"Why, there's plenty for them to do," he replied. "They can study their curricula, grade papers and inventory the libraries."

Most licorice is used in tobacco, not candy.

Senate Group Agrees on Lash At Vote Fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate elections subcommittee was reported today to have reached virtual agreement on a report sharply critical of Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) and much less critical of his political enemy, Sen. Benton (D-Conn).

The subcommittee, headed by Sen. Hennings (D-Mo), has conducted a long investigation of charges the two senators have flung at one another and which became issues in their campaigns for re-election.

Benton was defeated in November; McCarthy won re-election.

Benton, in a resolution filed with the Senate in August, 1951, sought the expulsion of McCarthy from Congress. He accused the Wisconsin lawmaker of fraud, perjury and deceit. McCarthy, in a counter resolution filed last spring, charged that Benton had protected Communists and Communist sympathizers while an assistant secretary of state in his pre-Senate career.

Sen. Hendrickson (R-NJ), the elections subcommittee's vice chairman, had announced last week a report of findings in the two investigations would be handed down before Christmas Day. But the subcommittee says now its report will be delayed by the illness of Hennings, who is nursing a case of influenza.

The subcommittee has refused to comment on the possible trend of its report, and in recent days has met secretly at unannounced places while giving the draft report a final polishing.

A well-placed source who declined to be named told a reporter the draft now is ready for a final vote, "but at least one member is very unhappy about some of the language and there is just an outside chance that they will wind up in a disagreement."

Yanks Drop Bars Of Candy Today To Korean Waifs

TOKYO (AP) — A U. S. Air Force C47 today dropped 100 pounds of candy bars by parachute to youngsters on a tiny island off the Korean coast.

"Merry Christmas from the Kyushu Gypsies" was written in Korean on each box.

The transport plane flies a supply run between Kyushu, Japan, and Korea.

"We always fly low over this one tiny island," said Lt. Dan Davis of Natchez, Miss., the pilot. "We see the kids come out and wave at us, and we rock our wings in return."

So the crew began collecting candy bars. They decided to deliver them Chrismas Eve.

"We circled the island twice and attracted plenty of attention because we'd never done this before," said Lt. Edward H. Osmon of Akron, O., co-pilot.

"Then we heaved out the parachute container and watched the parachute drift down to the waiting kids. It landed near the village, so we know they got their Christmas presents in good shape."

'Eisenhoppers' Give Ike Some Chuckles

NEW YORK (AP)—"Eisenhoppers" are giving President-elect Eisenhower a few chuckles to relieve his daily routine of serious business.

An "Eisenhopper" is a toy grasshopper, with a suction cup beneath the body. You press the toy on a smooth surface, like a desk top, and it adheres for a few moments until spring wire legs catapult it realistically into the air.

Some of Eisenhower's recent guests at his Hotel Commodore headquarters have blinked when he gave unheralded demonstrations of the toy at his desk.

About to leave his headquarters a few nights ago, Eisenhower stopped at the desk of a receptionist, Mrs. Mary E. Keedick and said: "Let me show you something."

He pressed one of the grasshoppers to her desk. As it leaped, she sat back startled. Eisenhower caught it in the air and went on his way.

Roll scoops of vanilla ice cream in ground peanuts or almonds and serve with chocolate-peppermint sauce.

A generation generally is considered to be 33 years thus allowing three generations to a century.

"Banco" is a commercial term for the difference between bank value and current value of money.

Anita Colby, Top Glamor Gal, Is World Fashion Ambassador

By DOROTHY ROE
AP Women's Editor

Anita Colby, a top gal on the totem pole of glamor careers, now is trying her wings as a sort of international ambassador of fashion.

This Irish colleen, who has held down many of the glittering jobs other girls dream about, spends her time these days floating about the world's more fashionable resorts promoting French rayonne.

In her capacity as representative of the industry, it is Anita's job to be seen in all the right places at the right times, in company with the right people. She also covers the top couture fashion showings in Paris, Italy, London and New York, managing to look more glamorous than the star models and, of course, wearing the last word in the season's mode.

Anita, daughter of noted cartoonist Bud Counihan, started her career as a top-rung fashion model in New York. She moved to Hollywood, where she was in charge of grooming starlets for stardom.

When a future star was turned over to Anita, she got a complete remodeling job, from hair to toenails. She was taught how to do her hair, how to choose the right makeup, how to dress, how to walk, sit and smile. An iron-willed task-mistress, Anita ruled every detail of her charge's clothes and grooming, on and off the set.

From her tutelage sprang a number of Hollywood's brightest luminaries.

During her Hollywood career, Anita is said to have received marriage proposals from some of the film colony's top glamor boys. When she went dancing she was squired by such escorts as Clark Gable and others of equal voltage.

But it seems Anita always has had such a wonderful time as a bachelor girl that she hesitates to take on a domestic partner.

In her spare time last year, this busy beauty turned out a best-selling beauty book. Called "Anita Colby's Beauty Book," it has been published in England, France, Belgium, Finland, Spain and South America, in addition to the United States.

She also has an interest in an Italian film company, and during the recent presidential campaign was one of the busiest workers for Gen. Eisenhower.

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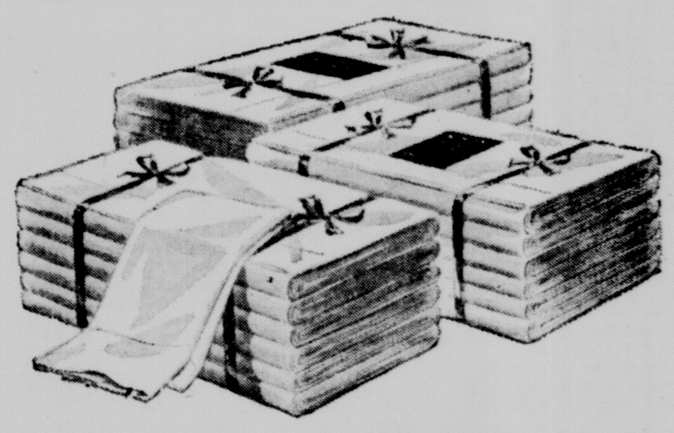

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The Night Before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse,
When down through the chimney, all covered with soot,
Came the "Spirit of Fire," an ugly galoot;
His eyes glowed like embers, his features were stern,
As he looked all around for something to burn.
What he saw made him grumble, his anger grew higher,
For there wasn't a thing that would start a good fire.
No door had been blocked by the big Christmas tree;
It stood in the corner leaving passageways free.
The lights that glowed brightly for Betty and Tim
Had been hung with precaution so none touched a limb.
All the wiring was new, not a break could be seen,
Ad wet sand at its base kept the tree nice and green.
The tree had been trimmed by a mother insistent
That ornaments used must be ifre resistant;
And mother had known the things to avoid,
Like cotton and paper and plain celluloid.
Rock wool, metal icicles and trinkets of glass,
Gave life to the tree; it really had class.
And would you believe it, right next to the tree,
Was a suitable box for holding debris;
A place to throw wrapping of paper and string,
From all of the gifts that Santa might bring.
The ugly galoot was so mad he could bust,
As he climbed up the chimney in utter disgust,
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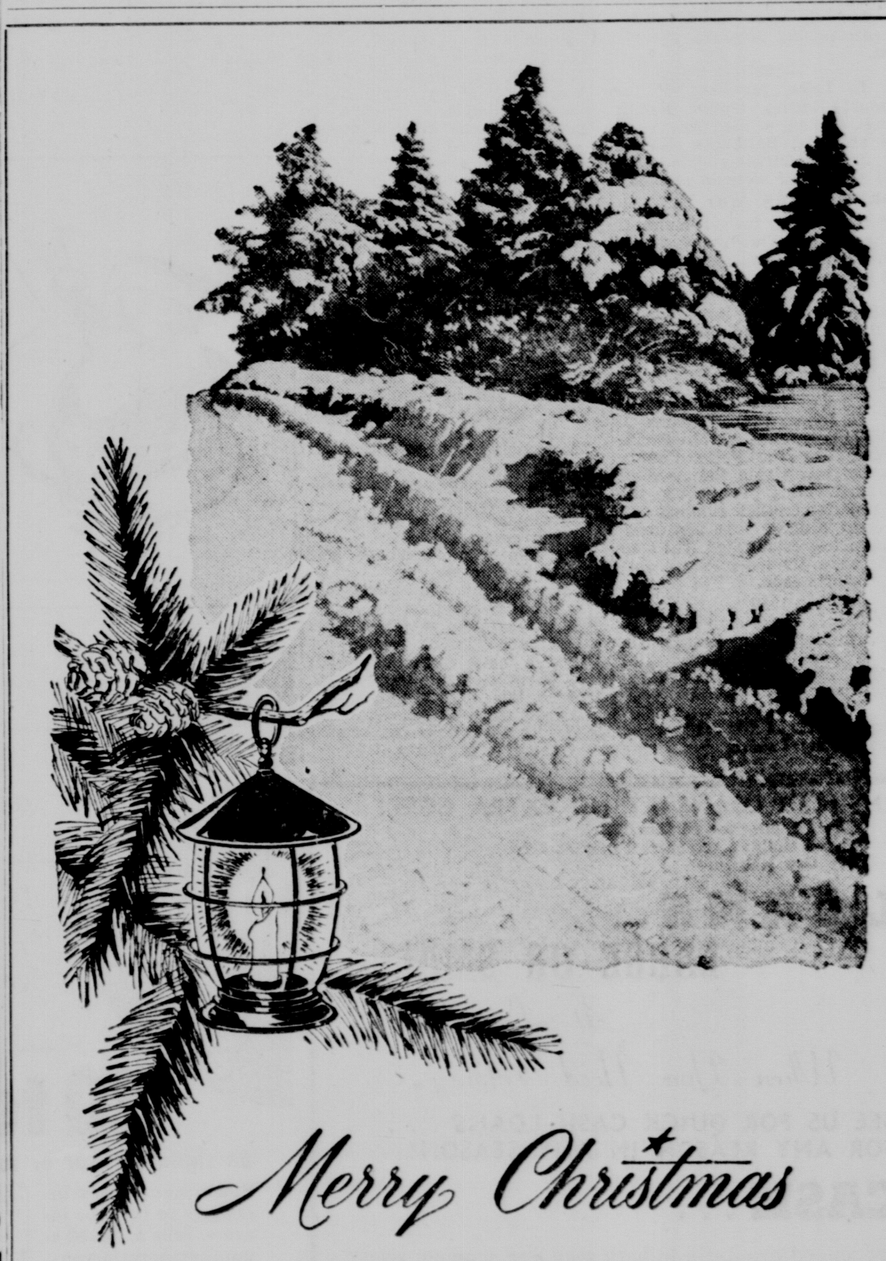

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Democrat Pick-Ups

Odds and Ends By News Staff

All over town there have been Christmas parties for the past several weeks but surely there was never a better Christmas party than one on Monday afternoon of last week. It was a party at the home of Mrs. George West for the children who are physically unable to go to school and whom she teaches.

The big room looked like Santa Claus land with a lighted fireplace, a big Christmas tree and other Christmas decorations.

There was music and a good time which was climaxed when Santa himself dropped in, and distributed the gifts from the gift exchange along with treats.

One mother feels she never really knew what Christmas meant until she saw these six little youngsters who are physically unable to go to school and be like other children and have a Christmas party.—H.L.

It was at a Christmas party and a young womah brought some cookies that her mother had made. Both the mother and the daughter are well known for their cookie making and when the cookies were passed there was, as always, a discussion on how to make them.

The young woman was answering questions about them and then suddenly she was asked: "But why is the cookie iced on the bottom?"

The young woman laughed and said, "Mother just had some icing left over and she just put it on the cookies. I guess she didn't natice that she was icing the bottom instead of the top.

"Oh," said the other girl, "I thought maybe that type of cookie was just supposed to be iced on the bottom."—H.L.

Looking Backward

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Robert S. Clough, extension agent of Pettis County since 1923, accepted the position of supervisor of the county farm work in Jackson County. He succeeds the former agent in Jackson County who resigned to manage the Longview Farm.

1927

John V. Sweet, of the Sweet Hotel Company, Topeka, Kan., and W. C. Jones, auditor for that company, were here in the interest of the Bothwell Sweet Hotel.

1927

C. K. Bothwell, general passenger agent for the Missouri Pacific at Little Rock, Ark., and Mrs. Bothwell, were guests of J. H. Bothwell at Bothwell Lodge.

1927

The Missouri Pacific Boosters gave a Christmas party at Convention Hall, Liberty Park, that drew an over-capacity crowd, all standing room being taken, many unfortunately were turned away. An entertaining program was offered.

—1927—

L. L. Leka, president of the Missouri-Kansas Grand Racing Circuit, called a meeting to be held at Hotel Baltimore, Kansas City, Jan. 7. Officials of the Missouri State Fair were to attend.

FORTY YEARS AGO

Phil Pfenning, former manager of the Sedalia Theatre, was here from Joplin on business and to visit friends.

1912

Vance Criss, an instructor in the Springfield High School, was here visiting his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. C. V. Criss, during his holiday vacation.

1912

W. M. Johns, J. C. Williams, J. E. Nicholson and A. M. Parks, appointed by the Pettis County Court to investigate the need of additional voting precincts in the city, reported on their findings and the court ordered four additional voting places established. The four wards were divided into two voting precincts each.

1912

William L. Barde, city editor of the Springfield Daily Leader, was here to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Barde.

Democrat Class Ads are workers you can afford to hire.

• The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Merry-Christmas-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

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Though this will be Harry Truman's last Christmas in the White House it will also be his first. Hitherto he has carved his turkey in Independence, Mo. . . . .Newest Christmas thrill for youngsters is Santa Claus letters from the North Pole. They are mailed, courtesy of Pan American Airways, which will carry the letters (written by Mom and Dad) up to Point Barrow, Alaska, where they are postmarked and mailed back to the U. S. A. Pan American stamps the envelopes with a special North Pole stamp. . . .The Post Office at Santa Claus, Indiana, is doing the greatest volume of business in history. . . .Dean of Washington Santa Clauses is Percy J. Bobbitt, who each year takes two months leave without pay from the naval gun factory in Washington partly to work as Santa Claus at The Hecht Company, the rest of the time to visit sick and crippled youngsters who can't get downtown. . . .Bobbitt reports that the chief presents youngsters want Santa to bring them this year are space helmets and space shoes, though little girls still lean toward the mother instinct and favor old - fashioned dolls. Whispered one 4-year-old to Santa Bobbitt: "Please bring me a baby brother and bring mother the same thing.". . . .Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, wary of corruption charges, has warned Commerce Department employees against taking any gifts from outsiders — not even cigarettes and candy.

Eisenhower and Congress

General Eisenhower will junk the Truman plan of making frequent personal appearances before Congress, will appear there personally only once each session. — to deliver the "State Of The Union" message.

This was made known to the three top Republican Congressmen who called on Ike recently — Speaker - To - Be Joe Martin, Majority Leader Charlie Halleck of Indiana, and GOP Whip Les Arends of Illinois.

Eisenhower strongly intimated, without alluding directly to President Truman, that there had been too much promenading up to Capitol Hill by the Chief Executive on matters that easily could be handled by written messages.

Explaining that he planned to go to Congress only once a year, the President-elect added: "I plan to stick to that schedule unless some emergency arises that makes it necessary for me to address Congress in person."

On the other hand, Ike assured his Congressional callers, "My door will always be open" to any member of Congress "Who has a problem he wants to discuss with me."

Also proposed is a weekly conference of six Congressional leaders with the President, instead of three leaders as in the past. These six will be: Taft, the Senate Majority Leader; Bridges of New Hampshire, the President Pro Tem; and the head of the GOP Policy Committee, probably Knowland of California; plus the three Congressmen who called on Ike — Martin, Halleck and Arends.

Eisenhower repeatedly stressed the importance of harmony between himself and Congress. "So we can all do a better job of serving the people."

"I see no reason why we can't get along," he told the three representatives. "We are all interested in the objectives of world peace and a sound domestic economy. For my part I have a deep respect for the prerogatives of Congress and want to work with you."

Capital Chaff

The Atomic Energy Commission will ask the new Congress to relax some of the secrecy provisions of the McMahon Act. Scientists complain that we've overdone atomic secrecy to the point where it's interfering with our whole atomic progress. . . .Bennett Cerf will publish a book of selections from Governor Stevenson's speeches. . . Ambassador Chester Bowles of OPA fame has complained bitterly to Prime Minister Nehru about India's delegate to the United Nations, Krishna Menon. Acting on instructions from Secretary Acheson, Bowles said the United States deeply resents the insulting way in which Menon criticized American policy in Korea. Unless Menon is curbed, Bowles warned, the United States will denounce him publicly.

The World Today—

Ike and Harry Puzzle Santa

By JAMES MARLOW
Associated Press Writer

The chubby old man with the sled and the deer
Had a delicate problem as Christmas drew near.
He had to find presents, the right ones, to carry
Down to the White House for Ike and for Harry.
The latter was leaving, his troubles all through,
But Ike faced more trouble than Ike ever knew.
So Santa Claus fiddled and fumbled and fussed
And dug down in his bag till his beard was all mussed.
For anyone else what he picked might be simple:
A drum for a boy; for a girl a deep dimple.
But Harry and Dwight needed special good care.
Since soon one would be in and one wouldn't be there.
But Ike is the heir to a national debt
Which he'd like to reduce but maybe can't yet.
The headaches he faces, while not a surprise,
All add up to money: the aid for allies,
The war in Korea, inflation, the fight
Against Communist tactics, unseen and in sight.
"They're tough," said old Santa. "I wish I could see
"A magician or two to put under his tree.
"I know he could use an indebtedness chaser
"So maybe I'll give him a red ink eraser.
"For the unasked advice he'll be getting for free
"From people who think they know better than he,
"Some earmuffs might help, or a cave with no phone;
"And a cave would be handy when brickbats are thrown.
"Since Ike, who is nimble and hale and still hearty,
"May wear himself out keeping peace in his party,
"I'll give him a hammer, without showing a bruise."
But the problem of Harry gave Santa a start:
Since the White House inhabitants seldom depart—
This was the first one in 24 years—
By declining to run, Mr. Claus was in tears.
Not because Harry was leaving, indeed,
But what sort of gifts do expresidents need?
He liked Harry fine, always had, always would,
A warm, friendly man, the kind that's called good.
But Harry was going, not much worse for wear,
Still combing Republicans out of his hair.
They criticized, clubbed him, found all kinds of fault:
An amazing example of verbal assault.
Old Santa thought twice while he tried to unravel
The problem of Harry: "Some rest and some travel
"Should do for a starter. And then? Now let's see.
"What would I want the most of if I could be he?
"A long life, of course, and a strong voice so loud
"I could make myself heard on the furthermost cloud.
"I'd make the Republicans hear me. They'd learn
"How a roasting can make an effective slow burn."
But Santa knew Harry might also keep busy
Dashing off notes, when he got in a tizzy,
To critics of music and critics of Harry.
"I can give him," thought Santa, "a gift he can carry,
"Some envelopes, paper and stamps by the peck
"To notify those who are pains in his neck."
Now Santa felt better. His mind was at rest.
For Ike and for Harry he wished —all the best.

'And No Monkey Business From You Two, See'

Carnival Man Fails to Find Joy Behind Reds' Iron Curtain

By TOM REEDY

BERLIN (AP) — Gustave Loeck has cracked the Iron Curtain, in search of joy—uncontrolled.

The 41-year-old carnival man slipped from the Soviet zone into West Berlin with his wife, two children, two wagons full of equipment, a comfortably furnished trailer and a merry-go-round.

"Show business, for the private enterprise, is finished in the Russian zone," Loeck commented from his trailer step, parked on a West Berlin lot while he awaits the chance to move to West Germany and set up shop again.

"Even joy is controlled over there," he said acidly.

A sort of a Mr. Five-by-Five, Loeck says he ate well in the East but things were getting tougher and tougher. Step by step he said, the Communist state squeezed his roadside operations until he faced the choice of eventually doing too little business to survive or getting out.

The old-fashioned German carnival which has excited Hans and Fritz for generations is looked on with disfavor in the Soviet area.

"They want what they call 'people's art' now," Loeck said with a wry grin.

"The kids aren't supposed to scratch around for a few pfennigs until they can manage that wonderful joy of buying their way onto a merry-go-round. Now the state must see to it that the children's fun is nicely controlled and arranged, with Stalin's picture at the end of it."

The steady trend to nationalizing everything in the East was creeping up on Loeck's carnival when he decided he had a belly full.

"Show people are often refused permission even to set up their merry-go-rounds and other amusement equipment," Loeck declared. "Often we were without the chance to work for months, but we had to pay taxes anyhow."

Now and then carnivals were allowed to establish themselves as part of a "people's art performance."

"They had to do it once in a while," he said, "to give the people some fun."

The Communist bosses are pretty callous about ordering carnival men around to this or that party celebration. Loeck and others were compelled to put on performances for the blue-shirted "Young Pioneers" at such reduced prices that it was a waste of time and often cost them money. To turn down such an "offer" would be to invite disaster.

The state sometimes would jump in and declare the carnival a "people's owned enterprise." The dispossessed owner would be lucky to avoid prison. So many of these road shows were seized in the last two years that the East zone organized a "United People's Owned Show Enterprises" corporation to handle them.

Two other factors threaten to wreck any private show outfits, Loeck said. One is the police ban against children visiting a carnival in the early evening hours. Any kids on the streets at this time are supposed to be enroute to Communist youth meetings. The second blow is the shortage of electric power, which has plagued the economically wobbly Russian zone for years.

Even the annual spurt that Christmas provides is being denied this year. The state banned the yearly Christmas fair and ordered holiday activity centered in the state-owned stores and ventures.

Loeck, busy now with paintbrush and tool giving his wagons brand new faces, expects over a period of months to ship each part to West Germany. There he hopes to peddle joy again, uncontrolled.

Red Propaganda In Ancient Language

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — One of the world's oldest languages is being used to spread Communist propaganda in Lebanon.

The ancient Syriac language — spoken over the entire Middle East until the eighth century A. D. is used in a mimeographed periodical called the "Eastern Times," circulated among the Assyrian minority here. The paper must be mimeographed because there are no printing facilities for the Syriac language in this area.

Ohio was admitted to the Union as the 17th state in 1803.

Search for a Hero

By Thomas Hal Phillips

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IT was dark but the captain had his blackboard on the well deck. He stood before the blackboard and announced: "Men, this is nearly it! At 1400 tomorrow we lead a group of LCT's out of here for an end-run beyond Larcone. Don't think because it's an end-run it's going to be easy; we'll be up against air attacks, submarines, and maybe some shore fire. Here's the picture." He stepped aside and revealed what I later learned was a small segment of shore line between Petiville and Bizerte.

K-K, who was close to the blackboard, said, "Captain, does them three swastikas and just one American flag mean the Germans outnumber us three to one?"

"No," the captain said, "I didn't have room to draw three flags." He turned to the blackboard and erased two of the swastikas. "Now listen while I explain this. The Americans are pocketed at Larcone because they're short on heavy ammunition. We've got to get ammunition into Red Beach or else make the Germans think we're going to land at Green or Yellow. It's almost impossible to get through to Red Beach because of the Island of Tone. So we'll make an end-run to Green. That may relieve enough pressure so they can break out of the pocket."

"We may not get back, then."

"That's right. I advise you to go down and hit you, bunk. It may be the last good night's sleep you'll ever get."

When the captain was gone, Spruce said, "You children go on and catch a few winks so's you won't be red-eyed when you gits before St. Peter."

Twice during the night we were alerted, but there was no raid. When everything was secured after the second alert, the crew's quarters was very quiet, much quieter than if we had all been asleep. Dave said to everybody, "We may get shot up."

"So what?" Bert said. "We come a-purpose. Some heroes have to die."

"I didn't come a-purpose," K-K said. "And I sure want to get back in one piece."

"Selfish."

"Who ain't?"

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AT exactly 1400 we were underway for Larcone. The sea was wonderfully calm and we were close enough in shore to see the green hills of winter, bright in the warm sunshine. It was a glorious day to die and I was not afraid, then. I was a part of it, a part of the great machinery of war which I had known so well from lamplighted pages. The sea to our left was so vast, the hills to our right were so green, and the sun was so bright that I could feel my heart pounding. I imagined that Wallace and William must have felt that way just before a big game.

I was the talker, standing on the conn to the left of the captain, repeating all of his orders to Blackwell, who repeated them over the public-address system. Now and then I glanced down to B deck where Bert was standing by as loader for the No. 2 20mm., and once, by semaphore, I sent him a message to observe the high position I held while he was a mere loader.

"Check handy-billies!"

A handy-billy, a small pump with a gasoline motor, was the most temperamental of all Navy equipment. It always worked except during emergencies and inspections by "bird-dogs" — those high-ranking naval officers who paid unexpected visits to ships at all hours of the day and night, entering a ship exactly the same way a bird dog enters a brier patch.

The captain had not heard the spurting of the No. 1 handy-billy, so he climbed up the side of the conn and leaned over. "Is it working?"

"No, sir."

"Don't you know we're in a state of emergency?"

"Yessir, but the handy-billy don't."

"That's not funny. Keep trying." He turned to me. "Pass the word for Mr. Belman to report to No. 1 handy-billy."

"Mr. Belman. Report to No. 1 handy-billy." It sounded like an emergency call for a doctor.

I thought the captain was going to fall off the conn while he leaned over to watch maneuvers below.

"Can we fix it?"

"Just a minute, sir," Mr. Belman said.

The captain climbed down and paced the conn, the way people will do when they cannot understand the simplest failure.

"A graduate of M. I. T. and can't fix a handy-billy." The captain spoke to Mr. Pruitt who had his binoculars trained over the bow. "A master's from M. I. T. What do you think of that?"

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MR. PRUITT did not answer. The captain climbed onto the edge of the conn again and called down. "You know this is an emergency?"

After a minute K-K looked up. "Captain, Mr. Belman says the handy-billy knows it but it don't give a hoot."

"Throw it over the side!"

Mr Belman stood up. He was stocky, determined, sure of things; and the cleft that divided his chin seemed to indicate that he possessed two powers, either one of which was too much for an ordinary man. "What did you say, Captain?"

"I said throw it over the side."

Mr. Belman picked it up and threw it overboard. He held the starting lanyard in his hand, a piece of rope the size of one's little finger and about five feet long. He looked up toward the conn and smiled—it was hard to believe he was only 24 years old. "I'll keep this. It might come in handy." Twirling the lanyard around his wrist, he went back toward the engine room.

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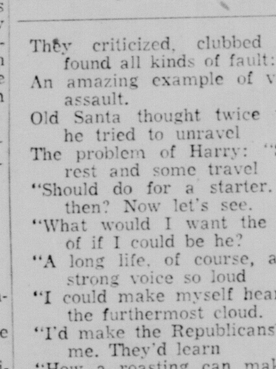

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Budenz Stirs Hornets' Nest Of Educators

Washington (AP) — Vehement denials have come from several persons among the 30 scholars and officials for leading educational foundations named by Louis Budenz yesterday as members of the Communist party.

Budenz is the former managing editor of the Daily Worker, Communist paper published in New York City, who publicly renounced communism in 1945 and is now on the staff of Fordham University.

"A professional liar," he was called by one of the men he accused. "Absolutely and unqualified of his testimony, given before a House committee which is trying to determine whether the funds of tax-free foundations are being used for subversive activities.

Budenz has appeared numerous times before congressional committees and, he says, has recounted to the FBI at great length what he knows of Communist party activities.

In his appearance yesterday, he ticked off 30 persons — some of them well known—as being Communist party members before he quit in 1945. A list of names was read to him by Harold M. Keele, committee counsel. Budenz said he knew them to have been Communists from personal experience and from his access to party documents.

Many of them had been described as Communists before, and some had denied it. But committee officials said Budenz for the first time described as a Red Thomas I. Emerson, now a professor at the Yale Law School.

In New Haven, Emerson said Budenz was "dreaming up things" and he declared: "I have never been a member of the (Communist) party and could not possibly have been listed as a member on their records."

Officials of the House group said Emerson received a grant this year from the Guggenheim Foundation.

The most heated denial of Budenz's news testimony came from Dr. Linus Pauling, a former atomic scientist who is now a professor and chairman of the Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering at California Institute of Technology.

Of Budenz's testimony that he had been a Communist party member "under discipline," Pauling said at Pasadena:

"This statement is a lie. I have never been a member of the Communist party, and I have sworn to this fact.

"Budenz is described in today's papers as a professional ex-Communist. Earlier statements made by him have caused me to suspect that he is a liar.

"Now I know that he is a liar—a professional liar."

Pauling is a member of the board which chooses those who receive fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation. Officials of the foundation in New York noted that he has sworn he is not and never has been a Communist.

Budenz's testimony also involved persons receiving help or connected with the Rosenwald Fund, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Marshall Field Foundation, the Russell Sage Foundation, the Rosenberg Foundation of California, and the American Peoples Fund, sponsored by Frederick Vanderbilt Field.

Budenz testified he had met many times "as a Communist" with Frederick Vanderbilt Field.

After hearing Budenz's testimony that the Kremlin deliberately sought to capture American educational and philanthropic foundations, the House group recessed its hearings indefinitely.

COMMISSIONED — Glenn A. Cox Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Cox Sr., route 2, was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force Reserve and was given his pilot's wings. He is stationed at Reese Air Force Base, Tex.

Glenn Cox Receives Lieutenant Commission

REESE AIR FORCE BASE, Tex. Glenn A. Cox Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Cox, route 2, Sedalia, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force Reserve and was given his pilot wings during graduation exercises held Dec. 19 for members of Class 52-H of the USAF Basic Pilot School (multi-engine) at this base.

Lieutenant Cox attended Smith-Cotton High in Sedalia, Central College at Fayette and Southern Methodist University in Dallas, where he was graduated in 1951. At SMU he was president of his fraternity, Lambda Chi Alpha.

The lieutenant entered the Air Force in June, 1951, and was stationed at Reese prior to becoming an aviation cadet.

Ham Network Will Carry Yule Wishes

ATLANTA (AP)—Airwaves tonight will carry the Christmas greetings of a 22-year-old polio victim who was too ill to write cards to her friends in Kentucky this year.

Doris Whittaker will tape record her holiday messages and amateur radio operators have volunteered to transmit them by ham network to her hometown, Somerset, Ky. There they'll be picked up by Ivan Kelley's station WTUT, where her friends will be gathered.

They'll return her greetings, via radio, and their voices will be relayed to her by phone.

Miss Whittaker came here last summer to find a job. A week later she became ill and has been in Grady Hospital since.

Commies Hit In Bitter Cold To Take Hill

SEOUL (AP) — Chinese Communists struck through bitter day-before-Christmas cold today in a fierce attempt to puncture the Allied line at T-Bone Hill in Western Korea. Allied artillery almost completely destroyed the first wave of Reds, the U. S. Eighth Army reported, and U. N. soldiers turned back the others in hand-to-hand fighting.

High over North Korea, Allied Sabre jets roared into battle with an estimated 60 Russian-made MIG jets, the U. S. Fifth Air Force called it "a clawing free-for-all." In dogfights all over the North Korean skies, Sabre pilots probably destroyed two MIGs and damaged nine, the Air Force said.

The Eighth Army said a Chinese battlaion of about 750 men attacked Allied trenches and bunkers on frozen T-Bone Hill, west of Chorwon. The battalion was supported by about 2,600 rounds of artillery—an intense barrage for a small area.

Red troops reached outposts of the hill between 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. but Allied soldiers, braced by reinforcements and a thunderous artillery barrage of their own, held fast and never were in danger of being overrun, an Eighth Army staff officer said.

The Reds gave up about 4 a.m.

Maj. James Hogerstrom of Tyler, Tex., damaged three Migs in the flashing air battles. He and 2nd Lt. Walter Fellman of Camas, Wash., started the first fight by breaking into a formation of three MIGs near the Yalu River, Manchurian - Korean boundary line. Fellman probably destroyed one and damaged another.

Then several dozen MIGs swept across from Manchuria to help the Red pilots. They were chased off by a flight led by Capt. Vincent Stacy of Crystal falls, Mich.

Today's flareup in ground and air action came on the eve of the 31st month of the war and while Christian soldiers of the United Nations prepared for Christmas celebrations all across the frosty peninsula. However, the attack on T-Bone was the only action bigger than the usual patrols and probes. It was the first battalion-sized attack by the Reds in two weeks.

Eighth Army headquarters reported evaluated Communists casualties for the week of Dec. 15-21 dropped to the lowest since July. U. N. ground troops inflicted 1,631 casualties in that week—50 per cent less than in the preceding period.

COMPLETES TRAINING — Robert S. Eye, 17-year-old son of Mrs. U. S. Eye, route 2, has completed his air force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., He will now enter a school in specialized work and technical training.

27 Known Dead In Shipwreck; 100 Are Injured

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—Lebanon's director of internal security said today that 27 persons were known to have died in the wreck of the French liner Champollion and about 100 were injured in reaching the shore from the reef-grounded, split-in-half ship.

Skillful Levantine boatmen brought the last of the 328 passengers and crewmen through still-raging surf and jagged reefs yesterday, about 40 hours after the veteran liner was blown on a reef and split amidships some 500 yards offshore.

The latest estimate of the dead was only tentative and it was feared the casualty toll would rise. Some of the passengers jumped overboard—how many exactly was not known—and though 30 or so persons swam to shore, thousands of watchers crowded there saw a number of people battered to death on the rocks just out of reach.

A lifeboat also capsized during the rescue efforts yesterday, plunging more persons to death.

Officials last night said 16 bodies had been recovered. Observers on the beach estimated 30 were killed — 10 from the overturned lifboat and 20 of the swimmers.

Bound from Marseille and Alexandria to Beirut, the 12,546-ton Champollion carried a crew of 220 and 108 passengers, many of the latter Christmas pilgrims to the Holy Land.

Plans Round-the-World Cruise In Motor Boat

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Alvin Robert Rogers, who crossed the Pacific Ocean in a 25-foot ketch five years ago, now plans to sail around the world in an 18-foot outboard motorboat.

Rogers, who is 35 and a native of Ft. Worth, Tex., plans to start from here, go down the Caribbean to the Panama Canal, then across 4,000 miles of ocean to Tahiti. This stage he calls the most dangerous but most interesting.

The 18-foot boat, named the Shark, is of stainless steel. Rogers designed it and it cost him about $500. He will power it with a 10-horsepower outboard motor.

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North, South Have Finest Players Ready

MIAMI, Fla., (AP) — Coaching staffs of both the North and South all-star squads said today they had the finest collection of players they ever saw but only the South predicted a victory in the Shrine's charity football game Christmas night in the Orange Bowl.

South Coach Andy Gustafson of Miami made the flat prediction that the South will win its fourth game in five appearances.

"I'm not making any predictions, but we'll give them a real battle," said North Coach Stu Holcomb of Purdue.

The South will use a five-man line with three linebackers on defense, using Wayne Martin, Texas Christian; Dick Modzelewski, Maryland; Bill Athey, Baylor; Jim Lawrence, Duke, and John Alderton, Maryland, in front, with Don Wade, Vanderbilt; Rex Shiver, Miami, and C. O. Brocato, Baylor, as linebackers.

Ed Fullerton, Maryland, will be at left half; Bob Tata, Virginia, right half, and Don Gleisner, Vanderbilt, safety.

Extra point duties will be handled by Oklahoma's Buck McPhail and Brocato, while McPhail and oe Koch of Wake Forest will do the South's punting. Kickoff duties will be handled by McPhail.

Holcomb plans to alternate Dale Samuels of Purdue and Harry Agamis of Boston U., in the signal caller's post. Pete Bachorous of Illinois and Earl Heninger of Purdue will alternate at the halves with Bob Brandeberry of Kansas and Frank Brady of Navy.

Fred Franco of Navy and Chuck Hlay of Ohio State will take turns at the fullback spot, and Hlay will play right tackle in the four-man line defense.

Chandler May Get Back Into Baseball Role

NEW YORK (AP) — There is a chance that A. B. (Happy) Chandler may be back in organized baseball—as managing director of the San Francisco club of the Pacific Coast League. Negotiations between Paul Fagan, owner of the Seals, and the former baseball commissioner have been resumed after having been broken off two weeks ago.

At the time, Fagan had offered Chandler $25,000 a year to take charge of the Seals, with Fagan retaining the ownership. Chandler was willing to accept the post, but asked for a five-year contract instead of the two-year pact offered by Fagan. Happy argued it would require that time to rebuild the club.

Batting and pitching champions of the six top minor leagues will receive a major league trial next season. The Pacific Coast League sends first baseman Bob Boyd, who hit .320 at Seattle, to the Chicago White Sox and Johnny Lindell, who had a 24-9 record with Hollywood, to the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The International League graduates outfielder Frank Carswell, a .344 hitter at Buffalo, to Detroit and Bob Keegan of Syracuse, its only 20-game winner, to the White Sox.

The American Association offers outfielder Dave Pope, a .352 hitter at Indianapolis, to Cleveland and Eddie Erautt, who won 21 and lost five for Kansas City, to Cincinnati.

The Texas League advances first baseman Frank Dunlap (.336) from Shreveport to the St. Louis Cardinals and Dave Hoskins (22-10), Dallas right-hander, to Cleveland.

The Southern Association moves up third baseman Rance Pless (.364) from Nashville to the New York Giants and southpaw Al Sima (.321) from Reading to Cleveland and George Uhaze, Albany's 18-game winner, to the Boston Rex Sox.

Windsor Buries Lincoln, 72-49; Hunt Scores 24

LINCOLN — With Leroy Hunt hitting 85 per cent of his shots to count 24 points, the Windsor Greyhounds humbled the Lincoln basketballers by a 71-49 margin Tuesday night.

Hunt consistently potted jump shots from the corners for an amazing performance; teammate Glass cut the hometowner's zone to ribbons on set plays to follow him in the scoring column with 19 counters.

For Lincoln Fred Fenig was high with 13 points, followed by Bill Moore and Vaughn Hopkins with 12 and ten each.

Windsor virtually put the game on ice during the first half, counting 28 times in the second quarter to own a 47-24 lead when the whistle blew.

The visitors also took the B-contest, by a 46-35 margin. Dial and Harvey led the winners with 14 points each, while Lincoln's Jim Kreissler was the tilt's high scorer with 15.

The varsity boxscore:

WINDSOR (72)	FG	FT	F	TP
Hunt	9	6	3	24
Graft	4	0	2	8
Scrivner	4	1	1	9
Thomas	0	1	2	1
Smith	0	2	2	2
Glass	8	3	0	19
North	2	1	5	5
Mitchell	1	0	0	2
Campbell	1	0	4	2
Brown	0	0	4	0
Totals	29	14	23	72
LINCOLN (49)	**FG**	**FT**	**F**	**TP**
Moore	5	2	1	12
Rank	2	1	2	5
Ficken	2	1	1	5
Wenig	4	5	2	13
Hopkins	4	2	2	10
Kroencke	0	2	1	2
Keseman	0	0	1	0
Svearngen	0	0	3	0
Rank	0	1	1	1
Kreissler	0	1	1	1
Totals	17	15	15	49
WINDSOR	19	47	68	72
LINCOLN	13	24	38	49

Sports Scraps

(By D. Kelly Scruton)

Well another year has slipped by—and how fast these years have started slipping. Tonight will be a big night, Christmas Eve when we will all should attend church; then home to give Old Santa Claus a big lift in getting his presents distributed, setting up mechanical toys, electric and windup trains; then to catch a wink or two of sleep, up again to assist the children in their Christmas play, which all adds up to my wishing all of you . . .

A Merry Christmas

Sports Roundup---

Day Before Christmas Just Another Hot Day for Tennis

ADELAIDE, Astralia (AP) —This was the day before Christmas same as in other parts of the world but it meant only another day of toil under the burning sun for members of the American and Australian Davis Cup teams preparing for the Challenge Round starting Monday.

In their only concession to the festive season, Captain Vic Seixas and his American teammates planned to gather round a small Christmas tree Thursday morning before going to Memorial Drive Stadium for more practice.

It looks as though they'll need all they can get as Frank Sedgman, big man of the Australian troupe, has reached his absolute peak form again after a period of uncertainty. He is obviously so ready that Harry Hopman, Australian captain and coach, advised him to take Wednesday off and rest rather than invite staleness.

Seixas, on the other hand, looked tired and drawn after two hard sets in singles against Straight Clark in 95-degree temperature. He intends to pace himself carefully from here on and has reduced practice sessions for both himself and Tony Trabert to one daily.

Local critics say it was unfortunate the Americans couldn't have had an additial fortnight to get accustomed to Adelaide's own brand of heat, which is something.

It's going to be extremely tough on the American pair, who will play all four singles and doubles in the crowded three-day series. This is especially true if the mercury climbs over the 100 mark as there is every expectation it will now that summer has really set in.

If either Seixas or Trabert gets tied up in a hard four or five-setter opening day the Australians say he is not likely to get his full zest for tennis back overnight. For this reason some Aussie experts are speculating that Sedgman will be the only member of their team to play both singles and doubles.

Tigers Lose To Eldon By 52-67 Score

Smith-Cotton Tigers went to Eldon and there met defeat at the hands of Eldon High School cagers Tuesday night, to the tune of 57-62. It was the last game of 1952 for both teams and they will reopen the season meeting each other on the Smith-Cotton court Tuesday night, Jan. 6.

It was a successful homecoming game for Eldon, whose players were never behind after the first quarter, in which the lead was 25-18 and followed at the halftime by 38-31. In the third period the Tiger opponents stood 49-37. A fourth quarter surge by the Tigers was snapped short by the Eldon team when the Sedalians ran up 20 points to their 13.

Paul Simmons, Eldon, was high point man with 18 while Ray Homan of the Tigers ran up 17 points to lead the Tiger scoring.

The victory gave Eldon an 8-6 record for the last half of 1952, while the Tiger record now stands 2-5 for the present season.

ELDON (62)	FG	FT	F	TP
P. Simmons, c	8	2	4	17
Stroad, f	2	5	1	9
Kays, f	4	3	5	11
Crum, g	4	3	4	11
R. Harvey, f	1	0	1	2
B. Simmons, c	0	0	1	0
W. Harvey, f	1	0	0	2
Richardson, f	3	3	5	9
Totals	23	16	21	62
SEDALIA (57)	**FG**	**FT**	**F**	**TP**
Homan, f	5	7	5	17
Benson, f	3	4	3	10
Buhlig, c	0	3	4	3
Schneck, f	2	1	3	5
See, g	1	3	3	5
Case, g	2	0	2	4
Bennett, g	2	0	2	4
Hieronymus	3	3	1	9
Totals	18	21	21	57
ELDON	25	13	11	13
SEDALIA	18	13	6	20

Tall St. Louis U. Cager Tops Valley Scoring

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Young Dick Boushka of St. Louis University, a strapping 6-foot-5 forward, has nudged ahead of a good veteran crop to take the early lead in the Missouri Valley Conference basketball scoring race.

Boushka, an 18-year-old 195-pound sophomore, has piled up a neat 21.8-point-a-game average in four contests. The St. Louis Billikens, defending Valley champs, have split the four non-conference games.

Right behind Boushka through last night's games is guard Walter Poff, senior co-captain of Detroit's Titans. In seven games he has averaged 20.6 points.

Poff leads in total points scored, netting 144 on 52 field goals and 40 free throws. Boushka has hit on 27 shots from the field and 33 from the foul line.

Poff boosted his total by 31 points last night despite a 81-78 Detroit loss to St. Mary's. The Titans now have a 3-4 record.

Third in the Valley race based on averages is Oklahoma A. & M.'s Bob Mattick, a 6-foot-10½ center. He's averaged 16.3 points in eight games on a 130-point tota, second best to Poff.

The top 10 Valley scorers (based on average):

	Games	G	FT	P	Ave.
Boushka, St. Louis	4	27	87		21.8
Poff Detroit	7	52	40	144	20.6
Mattick Ok.A&M	18	40	50	130	16.3
Littleton, Wichita	5	21	32	74	14.8
Sparrow, Detroit	7	32	35	74	14.1
Carman, Wichita	5	21	10	58	11.6
McNerney, W U	5	20	11	53	10.6
Rogers, Ok. A&M	8	24	22	80	10.0
Decker, Detroit	7	21	23	65	9.3
Haskins, OkA&M	8	23	11	57	7.1

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Illini Drop In Prestige With Big Loss

By The Associated Press

Illinois' prestige as the nation's second ranking collegiate team in the Associated Press basketball poll dipped last night. The Illini absorbed a 77-33 defeat at the hands of Minnesota before 16,878 fans.

The victory at Minneapolis was a tribute to Coach Ozzie Cowles' inspired Minnesota charges who turned the trick by out-rebounding the taller Illini and by skillfully executing ingenious defenses set to check the Illini near the basket.

There were other surprises, but none as unexpected as the Illini defeat. St. Johns of Brooklyn tumbled North Carolina State, ranked 6th, 67-56; Wayne of Michigan whipped Duquesne, 71-59, to win the Motor City Classic; Drake humbled Missouri, 77-57, and Seattle took NYU, 102-101.

Missouri went down before Drake principally because of big Jim Thomas' 30 points. That was the most points any Drake player has produced in a single game this year. The Iowa team was never headed after taking a 2-0 lead after 27 seconds of play. Center Bob Reiter was high point man for Missouri with 15. The game was played at Des Moines.

Johnny O'Brien tossed in 29 points for Seattle against NYU to tie the collegiate four-year individual scoring mark of 2,592 points. Still, he took second place to his brother, Eddie, who flipped in 33 points.

A turnout of 12,752 Madison Square Garden fans in New York City saw St. John's upend N. C. State.

In other leading games West Virginia took South Carolina, 86-73; Columbia downed Georgia, 61-51; St. Mary's of California whipped Detroit, 81-78; Wyoming edged Oregon, 56-54; Rice walloped Stephen F. Austin, 87-66, and Stanford fell before the San Francisco Olympic Club, 93-75.

O'Brien Will Set New Cage Scoring Mark

NEW YORK (AP)—The next point the amazing Johnny O'Brien scores for the Seattle basketball team will give him a new four-year record for college basketball.

The point-scoring prodigy, the first collegian to top the 1,000 mark in one season, contributed 29 points to Seattle's 102-101 victory over New York University last night and now is tied with Nate DeLong, who scored 2,592 points for River Falls (Wis.) State Teachers College. From there it's only a short hop for the agile O'Brien to the career record of 2,902 set by DeLong in five years.

Thus, Johnny once again takes the headlines away from his twin brother Eddie, his teammate ever since they first started tossing a basketball around in their native South Amboy, N. J. Eddie scored 33 points, including two vital foul shots at the end, and was at least equally as important as his more publicized brother to the team's victory.

But it was only another contradiction in the career of the twins who went to a college 3,000 miles from home on baseball scholarships. That's right, baseball — Coach Al Brightman got the scholarships for them after seeing them perform in the National Semi-Pro Baseball Tourney at Wichita, Kan.

"Pro basketball would be nice, but I'm really more interested in baseball," Johnny said last night. "I'm an infielder and Eddie's an outfielder. We both bat and hit right-handed, but I once pitched a softball game left-handed."

He didn't discuss any pro ofers, but it's reported the Pittsburgh Pirates are definitely interested in him.

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BOWLING

Starlettes of Tomorrow League

Team Standings	Won	Lost
Spare Misses	16	2
Strike Outs	14	4
Turkey Shooters	6	12
Cherry Pickers	6	12

High Totals

High team single game: Strike Outs, 652 pins.

High team series: Strike Outs, 1132 pins.

High individual game: Barbara Rissler, 154 pins.

Second high individual game: Dot Dey, 138 pins.

High individual series: Barbara Rissler, 289 pins.

Second high individual series: Dot Dey, 262 pins.

Spare Misses—Won 2			
Clara Wilborn	87	91	178
Sandra Baker	100	106	206
Barbara Rissler	154	135	289
Blind	93	93	186
Blind	98	98	196
Totals	532	523	1055
Cherry Pickers—Won 0			
Susan Prowell	46	81	127
Jane Knight	129	107	236
Nancy Oswald	113	70	183
Blind	84	84	168
Blind	57	57	114
Totals	429	399	828
Strike Outs—Won 2			
Dot Dey	124	138	262
Joy Harman	108	83	191
Barbara Arnold	117	108	225
Shirley Williams	127	119	246
Blind	104	104	208
Totals	580	652	1132
Turkey Shooters—Won 0			
Berline Curtis	56	71	127
Nancy Pace	76	85	162
Carol Meade	93	106	199
Judy Monberg	86	94	170
Blind	81	81	162
Totals	392	438	830

Ladies Merchants 8:45 League

Team Standings	Won	Lost
Ralph Hamlin	32	19
Conor-Wagoner	28	23
St. Paul's Lutheran	26	25
Owen's General Tires	24	27
Sports Center	23	28
Miller High Life	20	31

High Totals

High team single game: Connor-Wagoner, 935 pins.

High team series: Connor-Wagoner, 2346 pins.

High individual game: Lillian Hamlin, 222 pins.

Second high individual game: Mary Beth Ringen, 181 pins.

High individual series: Lillian Hamlin, 514 points.

Second high individual series: Mary Scott, 443 pins.

Miller High Life—Won 1				
A. Parks	122	145	117	384
R. Reed	86	111	80	277
A. Woodford	91	126	—	217
D. Henderson	93	124	89	308
L. Stanley	88	145	98	331
Blind	—	—	114	114
Handicap	263	263	263	789
Totals	745	914	761	2420
St. Paul's Lutheran—Won 2				
M. Bergman	115	123	138	376
L. Bergman	—	102	115	217
J. Barklage	108	102	99	309
E. Bermgann	128	136	117	381
W. Schreiner	142	137	92	371
Blind	98	—	—	98
Handicap	240	240	240	720
Totals	831	840	801	2472
Ralph Hamlin—Won 3				
L. McCurdy	108	110	145	363
R. Johnson	131	147	115	393
D. Craig	101	101	111	313
L. Hamlin	222	148	144	514
M. Scott	147	159	137	443
Handicap	160	160	160	480
Totals	869	825	812	2506
Owen's General Tires—Won 0				
(FORFEITED)				
Connor-Wagoner—Won 2				
M. Whitfield	142	119	129	390
P. Morris	172	125	141	438
M. Henderson	135	98	168	401
M. Ringen	181	93	143	417
R. O'Meals	148	145	136	429
Handicap	157	157	157	471
Totals	935	737	874	2346
Sports Center—Won 1				
V. Nelson	144	135	158	437
C. Feig	117	82	132	331
J. Morgan	124	164	114	402
H. Lowerman	160	132	111	403
J. Davis	155	144	100	399
Handicap	176	176	176	528
Totals	876	833	791	2500

College Heads Give Disapproval To Bowl Games

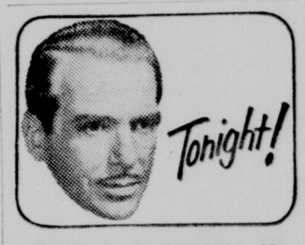
KANSAS CITY, (AP)—A majority of college presidents have reported their disapproval of football bowl games.

This was reported yesterday in a study of post-season competition, undertaken by the extra events committee of the National Collegiated Athletic Association.

The survey showed that a strong majority of the nation's educational and athletic administrators, as well as the athletes and student leaders, approve of "properly controlled and administered" post-season athletic events—with the college presidents taking exception on the football bowl games.

The presidents were asked to report their institutional policy and 31 per cent of the 156 responding college presidents approved bowl games while 53 per cent reported disapproval.

Among the presidents whose teams have participated in such bowls, however, 45.6 per cent approved such competition and 35 per cent disapproved.



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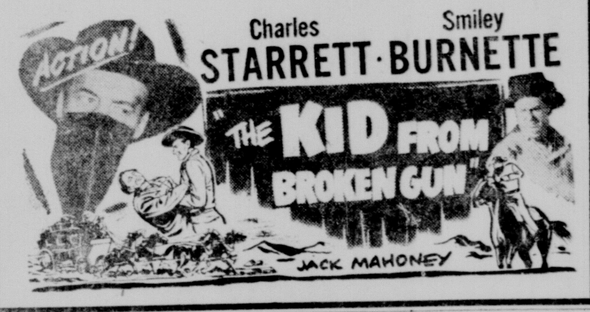

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Schools Present Holiday Programs In, Near Calhoun

By Mrs. Charles Rank

CALHOUN — The Christmas program of the Calhoun schools and the Roseland Grade School was held Wednesday, Dec. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Munday and son spent Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Munday.

The G. A. Girls of the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church met Thursday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Varner.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred George and sons and Mr. and Mrs. L. G.George spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. George.

Mrs. Lee Jones has been sick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hansen, daughter Connie Ann, Windsor and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rank and Mrs. Zella Rank were in Clinton Wednesday night to see the Christmas decorations.

Mrs. Leon Kinder and daughter Vickie Lee from Utah, came to the home of her parents Friday to spend the holidays. The Kinder family moved from Kansas City to Utah in the fall, due to the health of Mr. Kinder, who has asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Byrd of Kansas City spent the weekend at their farm. August Mickie, Donnie Bradley and James Stone assisted Mr. Byrd with his work of improving the farm Saturday. Mrs. Mickie and family also spent the day with Mrs. Byrd.

Mrs. Lonnie Varner was ill last week with a throat infection.

Mrs. Lee Jones was also ill last week.

Redford Reichart, son of the Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Reichart and a student at Missouri University, spent the weekend at home.

The WMU of Mt. Olivet met on Wednesday with Mrs. Glen Althoff for an all-day meeting. The Lottie Moon lesson was given and also the Lottie Moon offering taken.

The BTU of the Calhoun Baptist Church attended a BTU meeting at the Clinton Baptist Church Monday night. The Calhoun Church had its Christmas program Sunday night, Dec. 21.

Mrs. Archie Roberson spent Thursday with Mrs. Charles Rank while Mr. Roberson and sons, John and Everest and Mr. Rank attended the Tommie Mansfield and Tom Burrell sale held at the Mansfield farm southeast of Calhoun.

The Wesleyan Class of the Methodist Church met Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Houst.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hansen and daughter, Connie Ann of Windsor, attended church at Mt. Olivet and were dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rank. They visited Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hansen, Lincoln.

Mrs. Dave McGranahan became quite ill Sunday morning with the flu. A Windsor doctor was called to see her.

Darrell Dady, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Dady, spent Thursday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hudson. While there he became ill with the chicken pox.

Hal Boyle's Column—

Mothers Should Start Sons Out To Become Vice Presidents

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—What mother ever raised her boy to be a vice president?

Probably none. Mothers want their sons to be doctors or lawyers or dentists or engineers. But they are missing a bet.

Why shouldn't a wise mother today aim her lad from birth toward one of the safest and most profitable careers in America—that of being a vice president? There are thousands upon thousands of vice presidents in this country, yet not one started life with that idea in mind. They all got there by accident.

But why shouldn't a smart young fellow set out deliberately to make himself a vice president? Why shouldn't business colleges have a course entitled, "How to Become a Vice President and Stop Right There."

There is a popular belief that every man would like to have a high-paying post with a lot of responsibility. That isn't so. What the average man really craves is a high-paying post with absolutely no responsibility. And for that you can't beat the job of vice president.

Look at what it offers:

1. A swivel chair in a warm office out of the wind and the rain.

2. A secretary to answer the phone calls from your wife. (And who else would phone a vice president?)

3. Prestige. Everybody thinks you're important but nobody knows why.

4. Security. Nobody ever fires a vice president—because he never does anything wrong. Since nobody really knows what his duties are, he wisely decides the best way to keep from doing something wrong is to do nothing.

Some folks believe that vice presidents are frustrated, neurotic executives consumed by gnawing ambition and who spend their days off lying on a psychiatrist's couch asking:

"Why can't I be a president instead of just another vice president?"

Nothing could be further from fact. Most vice presidents are contented, cheerful men whose sleep is haunted by only one terror:

"What if they ever made me president of the firm? What would I do?"

They know they have a happy life, and they don't want anybody to mess it up by giving them more responsibility. Who lives longer anyway—presidents or vice presidents?

If I were a young fellow starting on a fresh career I'd go to work for a big firm and tell them right off, "My goal is to be a vice president." The chances are the president would be so surprised at such a strange ambition he'd make you a vice president right off—just out of curiosity.

Of course, the perfect title to aim at is "Vice President-in-Charge-of-Seeing - What - All - the - Other-Vice - Presidents - are - Doing."

That is living at the peak.

Wants Law That Will Loosen Some Tongues to Probes

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. Tobey (R-NH), who was one of the Kefauver committee's crime probers, said today he favors a constituional amendment to loosen the tongues of some witnesses who refuse to talk.

Such an amendment, he said, would curb the refusal of persons to testify at crime inquiries on the constitutional grounds that their statements might tend to incriminate them.

Tobey talked with reporters upon his return from Europe on board the liner United States.

His comment on recalcitrant witnesses was made during a discussion of New York State Crime Commission investigations of waterfront racketeering and other aspects of crime in New York City.

He said he believed the refusal of some witnesses to testify was an abuse of the constitution, and added:

"I'd amend the constitution so that we could curb that goings-on somewhat."

Tobey was in Europe as an adviers to the American government at meetings of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in Paris.

George Washington was a member of the Virginia House of Burgesses (legislature) for 16 years.

Williamsburg Va., was once the capital of a province which included territory now covered by Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan Wisconsin and parts of Pennsylvania.

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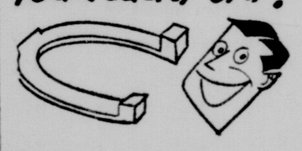

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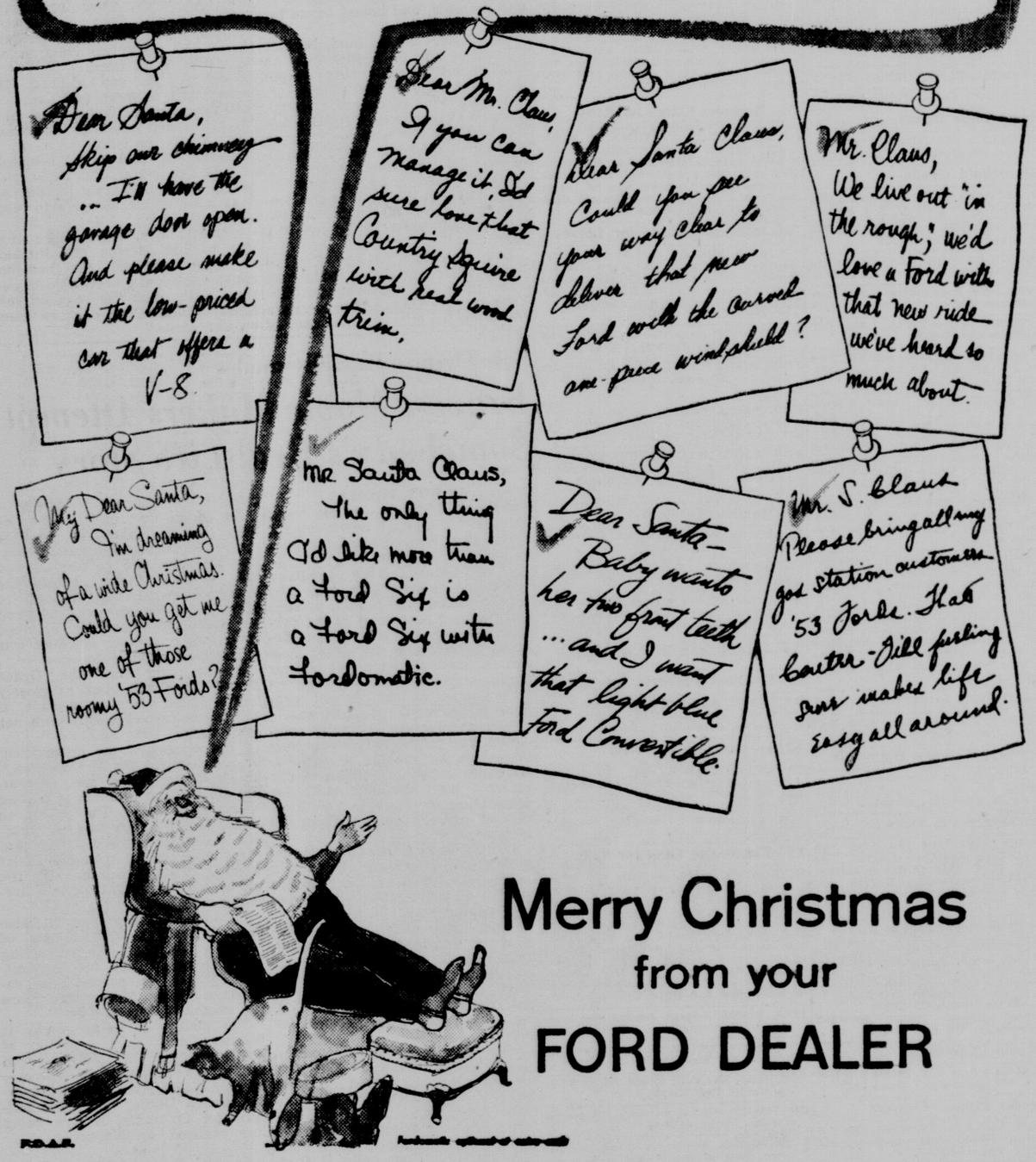

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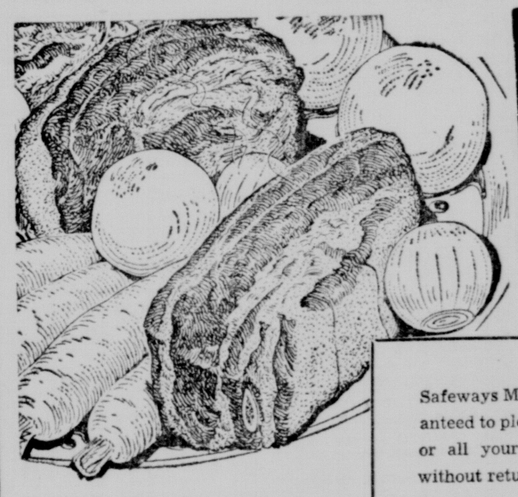

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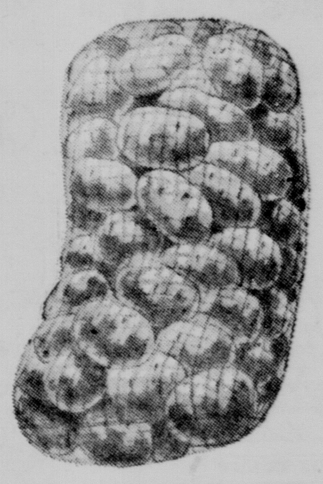

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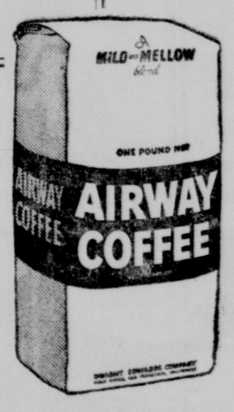

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XI—Real Estate for Sale

82—Business Property for Sale

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82-A—Business For Sale

TAVERN AT SYRACUSE, MISSOURI: Doing good business, only one in town. Sell on account of other business. On Highway 50, 20 miles East Sedalia. Andy's Tavern. G. C. Marquess, Syracuse, Missouri.

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XII—Auctions—Legals

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Britons Don't Approve Of Brutus Peppering Caesar With Tommygun

LOWESTOFT, England (AP) — A jazzed-up version of the tragedy of Julius Caesar rocked this small East Coast town today — Brutus killed Caesar with a tommygun in a school dramatization of Shakespeare's famous play.

The town's education committee demanded an immediate inquiry with Miss J. M. Mann, a town official, asserting that mothers are concerned about tommyguns in youngsters' hands at this time of year (Christmas, she meant).

The bewildered school headmaster, P. W. Hartop, tried to explain:

"Our idea was to produce this great play in modern setting. We adhered strictly to its theme that violence does not pay. After all, the daggers used in the original form can be every bit as offensive as tommyguns."

Strolls Into Furriers, Exits With Mink Coat

LONDON (AP) — A young man strolled into a Mayfair furrier's shop yesterday, swept a $4,000 mink coat into his arms and dashed out the front door.

As a startled showroom employe ran to the door shouting "Stop! Stop!", the mink-lifter jumped aboard his getaway vehicle — a bicycle—and pedaled madly out of sight into the traffic.

The coat belonged to a sister of the Duchess of Sunderland.

The Library of Congress says that after composing his only successful ballad, the famous "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," American composer Thomas P. Westendorf centered his interests in teaching at and superintending various reform schools.

Neighbors Are Playing Santa For Family of 5 Polio Victims

OLEAN, N. Y. (AP) — Christmas will be far merrier than farmer Walter Green's polio-stricken family expects when neighbors pop the surprise they have in store.

Sons Charles, Kenneth and Milford had seen one wish come true: to be home for Christmas. But it looked like a holiday with no tree, few presents, and baked beans for dinner.

For sister Bertha and brother Roland, it was to be Christmas in St. Francis Hospital here, where polio sent all five last month.

As for the meager Christmas planned at the Green farm in nearby Ellicottville, well — "Crops weren't so good this year," Walter Green said yesterday.

"We've always had a tree before, but with two kids in the hospital and three just out . . . we just thought we'd better not this year."

But neighbors Mary Casella, James Ward and Lynn Eddy had other plans for the Western New York family. They had taken up a collection for gifts and a dinner of baked ham to go with a couple of pies Mrs. Green had baked.

And Mrs. Casella had decided that a well-decorated Christmas tree would stand in the Green's scantily furnished living room tonight, just as every other year.

The three brothers left the hospital last week, after treatments lasting more than a month. Charles, 26, rejoined his wife Marabelle and their two children on their own small farm.

Kenneth, 18, and Milford, 13, came home to mom and dad.

Bertha, pretty, blackhaired and 16, will spend most of Christmas Day in an iron lung.

Roland, 21, also in the hospital, said he felt better, though he still had a trace of paralysis. But he kept most of his thoughts to himself.

Mr. and Mrs. Green were anxious to visit Bertha and Roland. "I hope they don't feel bad because we haven't been able to see them more often," Green said yesterday. "Maybe we can see them on Christmas."

Bob Thomas In Hollywood---

Bravest Movie Makers Attempt Somebody's Real-Life Story

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — In my book, the bravest kind of movie maker is the one who attempts to film somebody's real-life story.

What hazards the producer faces! Everybody gets into the act, including the family, friends and business associates of the person being portrayed. Some demand payment for the use of their names. Some threaten suit if their names aren't used. Some want the facts juggled so that life will seem more pleasant than it really was.

Then the picture is finally completed. The producer is bombarded by critics for making a watered-down or corned-up version of the person's life. And law suits for defamation of character or invasion of privacy start popping up all over.

That's why I consider Henry Blanke a brave man. He is now producing "The Grace Moore Story," based on the life of the late singing star.

"The legal clearances are indeed a headache," he sighed. "Even if you use fictitious names for certain characters, you have to be careful. If the character is unmistakably someone in real life, the person may have grounds for suit.

"We also have to be careful about source material. Our picture is primarily based on Miss Moore's autobiography, 'You're Only Young Twice.' If we use any other real material, we must be careful that it appears in at least two sources. If we take it from one source, the person who wrote it might be able to sue."

Blanke produced the distinguished biographies of Emile Zola, Louis Pasteur and Benito Juarez back in the '30s. He remarked that he even had troubles with those 19th century figures.

"There are always descendants of people involved in those stories and they can bring trouble," he said. "There was a relative of the villain in the Zola story who threatened suit. So we had to change the character's name."

He added that certain liberties have to be taken in real-life stories because of dramatic needs. For instance, the picture showed Zola writing "Nana" before the Franco-Prussian War instead of after. And Pasteur was pictured as finding a cure for childbed fever, while another scientist was actually responsible for it.

Blanke said that the Grace Moore film will stick as closely to the singer's life as possible. It will be concerned mostly with her early days.

"The climax of the picture will be her debut at the Metropolitan," he explained. "You see, in real-life stories, the problem is getting a dramatic story. The drama in Grace Moore's story was her struggle to get to the Met. After that came nothing but triumph—Hollywood, 17 trips to Europe, etc. Too much success doesn't make a dramatic picture."

He added that the story has also been tailored to the talents of Kathryn Grayson, who is playing Miss Moore. "They are two different kinds of people," he remarked. "Miss Moore was more the vivacious, peppy type."

The picture is being made at Warners, and that's a matter of poetic justice. Al Jolson, who scored his triumphs at Warners, had his biography made by Columbia. Grace Moore, who made millions for Columbia, is now being immortalized by Warners.

Capsule Review: "The Star" is a wonderful tour de force for Bette Davis. She plays a fading film star, but a less wacky one than Gloria Swanson portrayed in "Sunset Boulevard." Miss Davis gives it all she's got, and that's plenty. Though not great, the story is an arresting yarn about how a woman faces a fall from usefulness in a big industry. Everything is done with an eye for realism, including the star's makeup. She gets stalwart support from a cast headed by Sterling Hayden.

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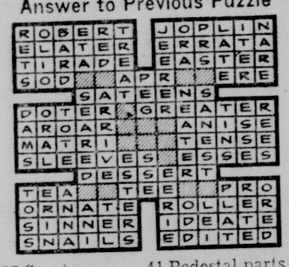

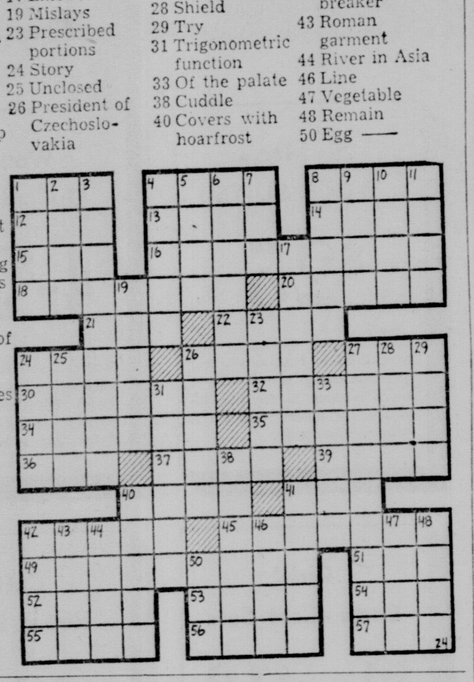

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O'Connor Says '53 Chevrolet Is All New

A new Chevrolet that will create "entirely new conceptions of beauty and performance" was promised today by H. M. "Mike" O'Connor of the Thompson-O'Connor Chevrolet-Buick Motor Co., in Sedalia. Mr. O'Connor made his statement following a meeting Monday with company representatives in Kansas City where the 1953 plans were revealed to an enthusiastic audience of dealers of the Kansas City zone.

"When we were invited to attend we were told that this would be one of Chevrolet's most important business conferences," he continued. "This was conclusively borne out by developments. Not only were we shown the most exciting product in my experience as a dealer, but the speakers made clear that the company, through its newspaper adertising and promotion, would give the model unprecedented backing."

Mr. O'Connor said the program should answer any doubts about the future of business.

"A company with the marketing knowledge of Chevrolet does not re-invest the tremendous capital required for a program of this nature unless it is firmly convinced of sound sales possibilities," he pointed out. "It is quite apparent from the product that the largest automobile company in the world is anticipating one of its biggest years in 1953."

Although the date for the showing of the new Chevrolet has not yet been announced, Mr. O'Connor is already making plans for a display of the car here. He is confident that interest in the new model will draw record-breaking crowds to the company showroom.

Others from the Thompson-O'Connor Chevrolet-Buick Co., who attended the preview of the 1953 Chevrolet were Ray Hatfield, general manager; John Ryan, sales manager and the following salesmen: Jack Alfrey, B. B. Bettis, Bob Lee, Bob Thompson, Carl Shoe, C. H. Earnhart, Don Kinner and Brooks Green of the service department and Charles Leftwich of the parts department.

The meeting was held in the Municipal Auditorium Music Hall and at the noon hour the group joined more than 1,500 other representatives of Chevrolet at dinner in the main auditorium.

Dick Lyman, zone manager of Chevrolet Motor Co., Kansas City, presided at the meeting.

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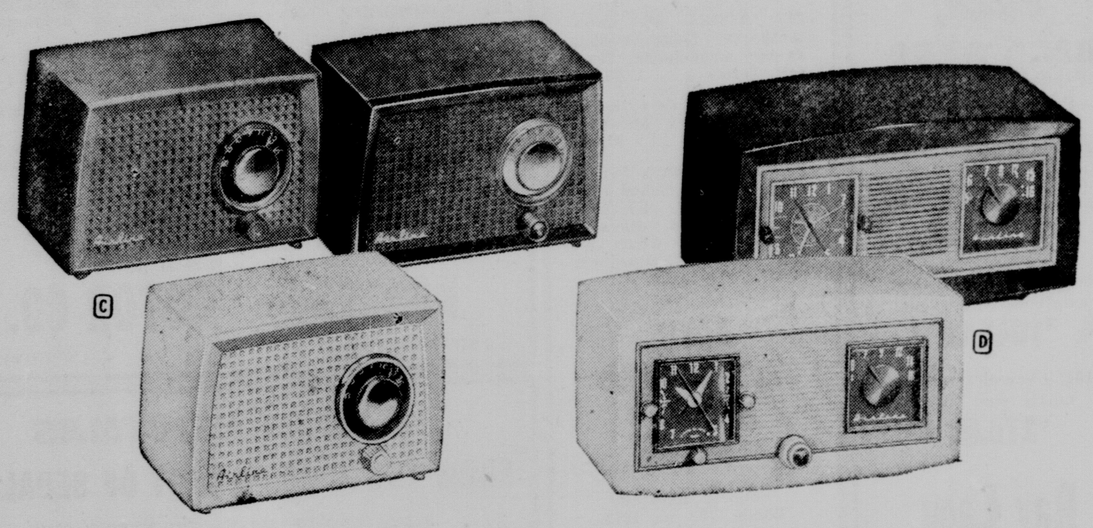

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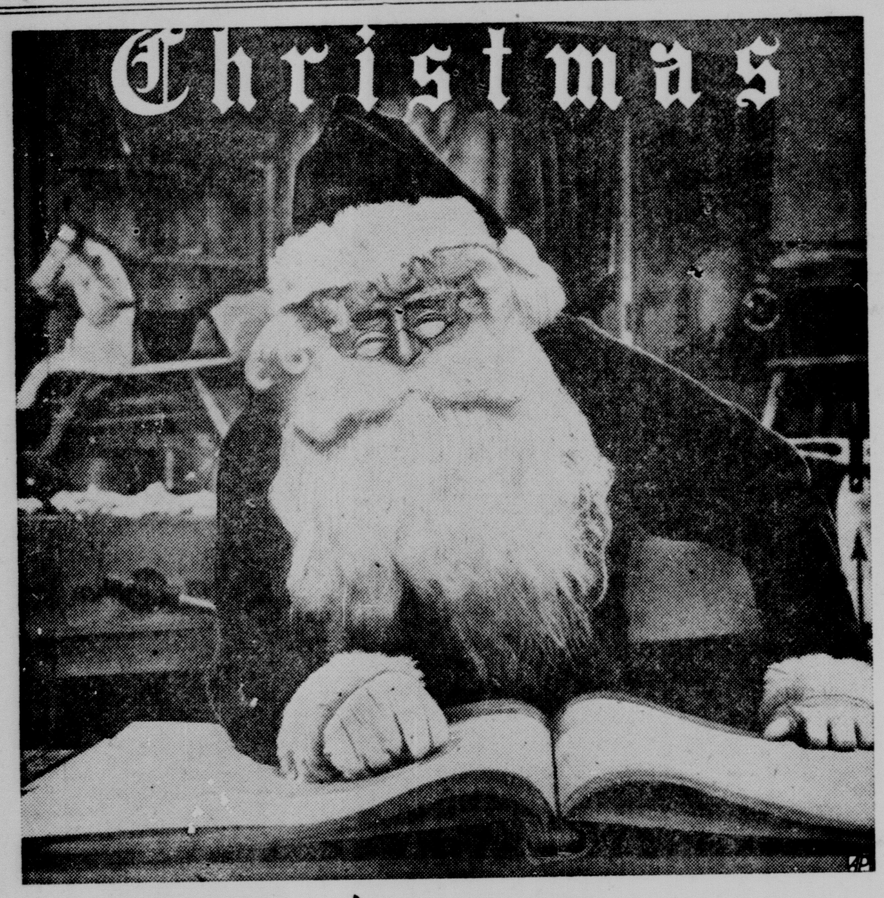

The Wise Little Wise Man

The little wise man struggled with the safety pin that had caught in his costume. The other two wise men and the shepherds had long ago taken off their robes and gone wildly out into the cold night, but Tony was having trouble — trouble with a safety pin, and he couldn't get his costume off. His face was flushed and he frowned a bit as he tugged, trying to free himself from the wise man's robe. The church was still, so still that he felt a little shivver up his back. He wished he was out of the church as well as out of the robe.

But Tony wasn't alone in the church, he knew. Everyone in the Christmas pageant had gone home, but there in his study sat the young minister. Tony could see him through the half open door. The light from the desk lamp made his hair look gold, Tony thought, but it did things to his face, too, it brought out the unhappiness.

Tony watched him and wished he knew just what to do. Even at 12 Tony knew the situation in the church, and he resented the coolness of most of the congregation. They expected too much of one so young; even an older man would have found it difficult to fill the place of Dr. Walker. This was just temporary, of course, while Dr. Walker was so seriously ill, but they sent only a youth who had never had a charge before to fill his place. A youth who came five months ago with big ideas — big plans which are so typical of youth. Somehow Tony felt that Christians should have a deeper understanding, even of a little upstart as some of them called him.

The young minister was having trouble with the organist, too. She didn't want the early morning Christmas service and refused to play. She had always just about run things and she didn't intend to let a young man like the new minister tell her what to do.

But the little minister had grown up in a small community where there was always a Christmas morning service, and it just wouldn't be Christmas without one.

Tony wished he could play the organ — two years ago he had told his Mom that he didn't want to take any more music lessons— he would let Beth be the musician of the family — it was just a waste of money giving him lessons, he had said. And Mom agreed. But tonight he wished he had gone on— two more years of his lessons and maybe he could have played the organ for the young minister.

Deep in his thoughts Tony had forgotten about the safety pin. Then from the study came the voice of the young minister in humble prayer.

"Oh, Father" said the voice, "Inspire me for my Christmas sermon. Help me to leave with them the love and understanding that was His—"

The little wise man knelt beside one of the small red chairs in the nursery room. That prayer was not like the prayers he had heard the young minister pray before — there was a reverence here — he felt that God must be very near. The young man's words came falteringly — Tony felt there were tears very close — and Tony's own tears were very close, too. He had not intended to look in on a fellow's private life, but Tony had looked through the door just before the prayer. He had been struggling with the safety pin and saw the young minister take a girl's picture out of a frame and put it in a drawer — then he tore up a letter written on pink paper — without a word it told a story. Then Tony remembered that the young minister had said how he would love to go home for Christmas, this was his first Christmas away — but he had laughed and said he was acting like a baby.

Tony heard the young minister's voice again as he prayed: "I have tried so hard, Oh, Lord, but I can't get into their hearts. If only I could have an organist at the Christmas service — what is Christmas without music—" His words died away and then Tony wiped a tear from his ruddy cheek.

If Beth would only come home earlier thought Tony, she could play for the young minister — but she wouldn't be home until almost noon, Christmas Day.

There were big preparations going on at his house, it was going to be a double celebration — Christmas and Beth home again — it had been a whole year since she had been home.

Suddenly from somewhere there was music. Tony got to his feet

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and looked around the room — it was almost as if it was an answer to the preacher's prayer — maybe it was an answer to the preacher's prayer, thought Tony.

The young minister was half standing now — his face pale and there was a light in his eyes. He had never heard such music — Tony slid behind the door as the minister came into the nursery room and went on quietly into the auditorium. They Tony went, too, staying back in the shadows to watch.

He could see the young minister going toward the organ and there playing the beloved "Silent Night" was the old man whom Tony and the boys called the bell ringer. Every Sunday he rang the church bell — but he had plenty of other things to do too. He kept the church clean, shoveled the snow off the walk and kept the fires going.

"Fritz" said the young minister, when the old man had finished playing, "I had no idea you could play like that."

"I'm sorry", the old man said in broken English, "I did not mean any harm — but it is Christmas and I am lonesome — Christmas is a lonely time if you have no one — no one to share it with."

"But where did you learn to play like that," asked the young minister.

"That was my profession, a musician and composer." the old man said — "But since I am old life has not dealt so kindly with me — I could not make a living as a musician even though I was once a music master."

"Fritz", said the young minister, "would you play the Christmas music for me at my service in the morning."

The old man placed a wrinkled hand on the young man's arm. "That is the greatest Christmas gift you could give me, son," he said, "I have missed so playing the organ in a church — that was always my way of worship."

The little wise man slipped out the side door of the church and came in the front. He came up to the two men breathless and smiling —

"Mother sent me", he said, and he crossed his fingers and under his breath asked God to forgive the little white lie. "She wants me to ask you both to our house for Christmas — Christmas is a time to share — and we love to share ours. You'll come, won't you — "it will just make our Christmas". Then he smiled at the young minister, "My sister, Beth, is going to be home, too, and she is mighty pretty—least I think she is."

"I am sure she is", the young minister said laughingly.

It was good to see him laugh, thought Tony, he looked so handsome when he laughed. That was what he needed — he needed to laugh. People would feel different if they saw his natural laugh — not just a forced one. That was what was wrong, nothing about him had seemed real.

"I hope nobody has asked you before — I'd be disappointed," Tony went on knowing well that nobody had bothered to ask either of the two men to spend Christmas with them.

"No," said the young minister, "Nobody has asked us and we will be mighty happy to accept. Won't we Fritz?"

The wrinkled old face of Fritz smiled and he nodded — it had been a long time since he had been in a home at Christmas, not since he had had a home of his own. It all seemed like a dream to the old man.

"I'll see you in the morning", said Tony as he went out the front door and home in the snow. There were no footsteps in the newly fallen snow from the church to his house and he liked the way the flakes were falling — slowly, softly, all around him.

At home the Christmas tree was ablaze in the window. It smelled good, too, as he first opened the door. There was laughter and gaiety all over the house. There was a surprise awaiting him, too. Beth had already arrived. She got home a whole day early.

And then Tony told his story, and what he had done.

"You're a wise little wise man," said his mother, and then he looked down at himself — he still had on the robe with the stubborn safety pin holding it on.

Christmas morning dawned cold, but bright. The sunlight on the newly fallen snow made the world look like it was made of diamonds.

Long before it was time for the service the chimes rang out on the still morning air. Then there came the sound of the church bells and the people gathered at the church, a greater crowd than the young minister had ever hoped for — but

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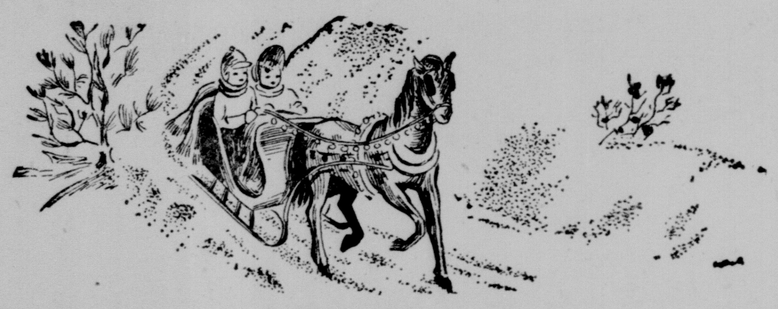
Santa's Record Book

Outside the wind was blowing
The snow was falling fast,
Inside Santa was showing
The records of the past,
Around the room were cases
Of great big Christmas books
And he recalls the faces
Just how each youngster looks,
Just how each wee girl and boy
Looks up at him today,
An he recalls the self same joy
That seems so far away,
Why he brought gifts to mother
When she was just a tot,
To daddy and his brother,
If they were good or not—
And mother got a baby doll
That cried when it was squeezed,
Dad a train and folderol,
Boy, was he ever pleased—
Santa visited grandma, too,
When she wore her hair in curls—
She was thrilled same as you
And all the little girls—
Her doll's curls were of real hair—
Its elbows and its knees
Would twist around just anywhere
Or any way you please—
And granddad got a little train
That ran upon a track
His dad liked it—that was plain—
He 'most not got it back—
And great grandmother—yes-sir-ee
On every Christmas Eve
She was one I went to see
With toys I had to leave—
Now her doll of wax was made
And you know wax will melt—
Back of the stove her doll she laid
Imagine how she felt —
Well great grandad got a sled
And what a time he had—
A little ol' sled painted red
For those days winter's were bad—
Santa chuckled as he looked back
Over the years gone by—
Been many year I filled my sack
And Oh, what fun have I,
Old in years—well—I don't care—
My hair and beard are white,
But I always love to share
My joys on this big night—
I was born with a magic life
Which goes on, on and on,
I have such a happy wife
Whose smile is never gone—
I have a shop filled so full
Of brownies, pixies and elves
I love 'em all—each is a jewel—
And they work to fill my shelves.
Some wear beards, some of 'em don't
Their suits are tight as skin,
Some nibble candy—others won't
So some are fat—some thin—
Funny little guys—each one
And how they work away
Getting toys so you'll have fun
When you wake up Christmas Day—
Knock-knock-knock their hammers go
Here the buz saw buzzin'
Makin' everything just so,
Makin' 'em by the dozen,
Makin' dolls almost alive
Feel like real babies, too,
What a thrill when they arrive
For little girls like you—
Electric trains, wagons, bikes
Look at the pixies hurry
Santa knows what a little kid likes
No one has to worry—
Pixies, brownies each little elf
Speeds up the work real fast
Each forgets about himself
'Till Christmas Eve is past—
Makin' candy in a pan,
Paintin' the candy canes,
Raisins on the gingerbread man
With such a lot of pains—
Sometimes the paint's hardly dry,
When Santa starts his ride,
Oft' the bags are filled so high
They're hard to get inside—
Santa looked out the window
And then up at the clock,
He could hear the wind blow
As he pulled on a sock,
"Such a nice night' said he,
"To start out on my jaunt,
Find each sock and Christmas tree
To leave what children want—
"Snow seems to be just about right,
He said, makin' ready to leave
"Yep, sure a wonderful night—
How I love Christmas Eve."
The door slammed and Mrs. Claus smiled
As she said to herself—
"This record book of each good child
Goes up here on the shelf."

Hazel N. Lang.



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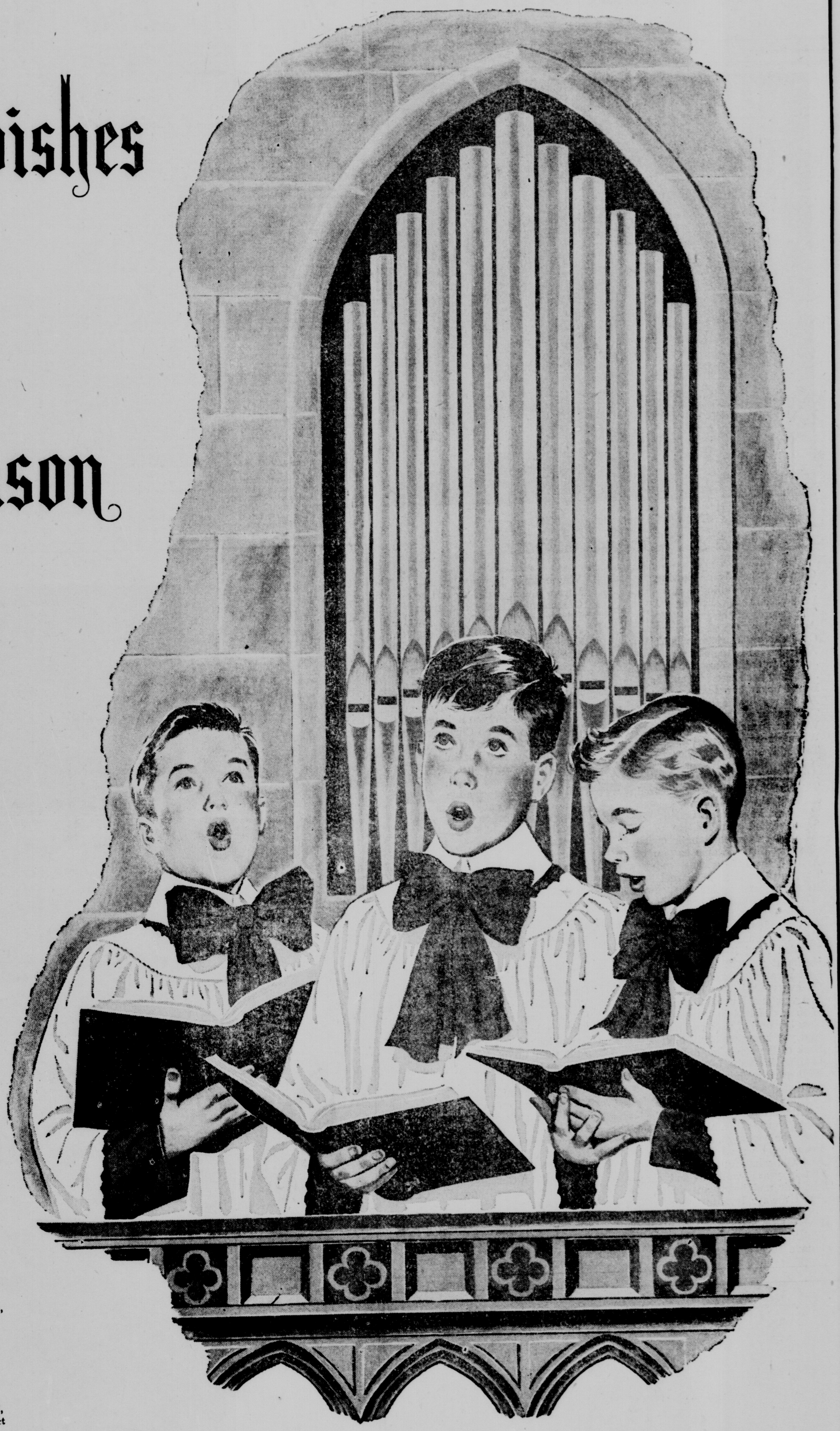
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How good it is to hear the refrains of the beloved Christmas hymns, coming to us as gentle and soothing echoes of heaven to our souls. They cause our hearts to throb in accord with the universal joy of all good people everywhere. It is with this feeling of rejoicing and good will that we offer you our best Holiday wishes. May your Christmas celebration be one that will be long remembered for its happiness and good cheer... and may the New Year bring to you peace and contentment.

Jets too Speedy—Helicopter Quite Helpful

But Santa Still Uses His Sleigh

By W. D. Agee
A Member of The
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No, Kiddies, Santa has not entirely given up his reindeer.

Through the years he has kept them to the far north amid the surroundings of snow and ice with igloos and totem poles painted up in dazzling colors. They roam lazily about as Santa has become modernistic and had to resort to speedier methods of transportation to reach all the gleeful children who anxiously await his yearly coming on Christmas eve.

His bag of toys, dolls, candies, electric trains, erector sets and all kinds of mechanical gadgets to entertain and amuse, are fuller than ever this year. Games of various sorts are also carried by the little round man with the long gray silken - like whiskers that flutter in the chilly breezes as he whisks across the wide expanse from the far north. He misses none of the cities and countryside and the eager eyed little girls and boys anticipate his coming most joyously.

His step-up in speed almost proved far too rapid. He tried taking to the air in planes and even went so far as to have a special jet - plane constructed that would carry him through vacant space at over 600 miles an hour. This proved a little too fast as in dashing here, there, thither and yon, his air chariot was so swift that it carried him by cities, villages and homes that he didn't even see.

So what to do? He was in a dilemma. Resourceful as he was he made a decision that solved this problem readily. He decided to use a helicopter. This type of aircraft, designed to travel more slowly than the jet - plane was just to his liking. With its inverted windmill propeller he could soar for long distances and then, when reaching places he intended visiting, he could slow down.

No, he didn't put on the brakes, as it had none, but he could ease up on the fuel feed to the motors. He would bring his helicopter to a dead stop and then drop slowly down near the chimneys, unload some of his precious gifts from the housetops, then on to the next place he had in mind — and that included every home where good little girls and boys dwell.

Oh, yes! Back to the reindeer. Just in case anyone might have been passed up, which would be unlikely, he has them ready to hop-off, pulling a big sleigh that would glide over the frozen snow, where there would be any.

Some parts of the country fail to have snow, even at Christmas, and this was one of the things that Santa considered in getting high-speed transportation, which at first back-fired on him as it was too fast. His solution of slower and surer methods brought him, and those he will soon visit, exceeding joy.

Santa'll be here. It won't be long now and Oh, Boy! Oh, Boy! In years gone by the little girls expressed wishes for big dolls, some that would even cry, shed tears and says "mama", while the boys wanted ice skates, sleds and other things that would afford exercise and satisfy their eagerness for outdoor pleasures.

The elders are still believers in Santa Claus, no matter what some of the old "Scrooges" might try to have you think — that there is no good old "St Nick". He is very real.

This is evidenced by the way people madly rush through the stores and shops seeking some special gift for members of the family, other relatives and friends.

In all it's the happiest time of the year and even though some may not admit it, they still have instilled in them the spirit of childhood as they recall the many Christmases they have passed through and thoroughly enjoyed.

The Wise Little Wise Man

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many of them were curious when they heard the chimes and went to see who was at the church organ.

The Christmas music was not just Cristmas music, it was something that seemed to have come from that Holy night long, long ago — for it was a master's hands that touched the keys of the organ that day.

Then the young minister began his sermon — his eyes met those of the little wise man and then those of the pretty sister sitting beside him. He had felt the warmth of the invitation to Christmas as their house from the entire family that morning. He knew the very great secret — he saw the foot prints from the side door to the front door of the church and he guessed just what had happened.

And so to the little wise man he preached the Christmas sermon, a sermon that was indeed inspired—and left Christmas love in the hearts of all who heard him.

Faces May Change

Observe a little boy at his Christmas dinner, and his grandfather opposite him. That old man's face was once like that little boy's. That little boy's will be one day like that old man's. What a thought to make us all love and respect one another; if not for our fine qualities, yet, at least, for the trouble and sorrow we all go through." — Leigh Hunt.

Christmas Greetings

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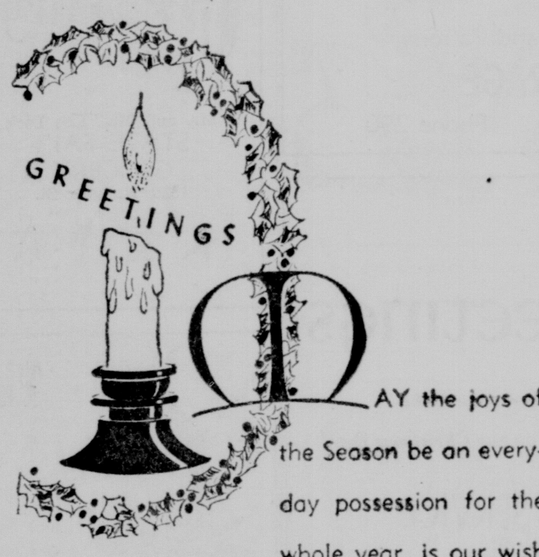

GREETINGS

TODAY the joys of the Season be an everyday possession for the whole year, is our wish

HOTEL BOTHWELL

Coffee Shop and
State Fair Cocktail Lounge

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for the New Year

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As the lights of the Holiday Season beam bright and glorious, we wish all of our friends and patrons a full measure of joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

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Optimists Become Reindeer In Parody on Yuletime Poem

At the recent Christmas Party of the Optimist Club this original "anonymous" parody of the famed Yule poem was read by Harold Barrick. It will be noted the names of many Optimist members have been inserted.

OPTIMIST PARODY

Twas two months before Christmas in Optimist land,
When a feeling ran riot of danger at hand.
We were all resting easy—not one single care,
Had hopes for the future and our program there.
Board members were planning on money to spend;
Just how to get it—its use in the end;
Kent was expressing his Boy's Club's good deed,
Pres. Charlie was reading the Optimist creed.
When, lo and behold there arose such a clatter,
We jumped from our chairs to see what was the matter.
Doc Wilbur, his usual explosive effusion,
Was there pointing out to the point of confusion.
It seems in our haste to keep off our uppers,
We'd forgotten those good August picnic suppers
That the grand Opti-Mrs., in delightful array,
Spread out before us with just "Thanks" for pay,
On a table that's loaded with good food and drink.
We knew in a moment that we couldn't think.
Pres. Charlie, contrite to the point of contrition,
Says, "Say, we must end this confusing condition."
So he picked a committee, Optimists all,
And said, Optimistically, "Party this Fall."
He charged them with making a party so gay
No Opti-Mrs. could dare stay away,
And neither could any good Optimist wife,
For a party, less either, would just lead to strife.
"Now Barrick, Now Hurley, Now Lindstrom and Ringen!
On Eugene Martin Kent Archias Junior!
To the top of the heap! To the top of the pile!
Now give us a party that's free of all guile."
As usual in cases of this ken and kind,
The committee just seemed to fall farther behind.
Until it appeared our Guvner had fizzes.
You'd think he was prodded by irate Opti-Mrs.
And then we got started not too long ago
And now here we are, so on with the show.
We hope you've enjoyed the Homestead's fine food,
Though compared with those picnics, this was 't as good.
We've sung all the carols and Tom's told all his joke's,
And Ed, with his singing, has near caused some chokes.
And now for your pleasure in listening and dancing
We have some good music to set your feet prancing.
Our band is a group of good instrumentals,
Gene Watts and his gay young blade Continentals.
We do appreciate the things that you've done
For our Optimist Club, its fathers and sons,
And this is our way of saying we're grateful,
Although it's belated, it's still just as fateful.
And now a last wish I'd here like toadd;
That you've had a good time—if so, we are glad;
And though it's too early to be quite this trite,
"Merry Christmas to all and to all a Good Night."

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To All Our Friends and Patrons

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423 East 14th St. Phone 290

Greetings

May your hearts be light
Upon this joyous Christmas Day!

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Yuletide Greeting

May your CHRISTMAS be merry!

MID-STATE SEWING SERVICE
703 So. Ohio

Greetings

Merry Christmas To All!

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leeders
MODE O' DAY
320 South Ohio

Greetings

Here's a wish to all of our friends that the wonderfully-exciting spirit of Christmas come to your house and remain throughout the New Year.

ROBINSON GROCERY
16th and Brown

AT CHRISTMAS

We realize more than ever, at Christmas time, how much it means to us to have the good will of our friends and patrons. And so once again we extend our sincerest wishes for a Joyous Holiday Season to all.

SWOPE'S
SUPER IGA MARKET
1021 South Ohio

Merry Christmas TO EACH OF YOU

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BEST WISHES for THE HOLIDAY SEASON

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Season's Greetings

May all the pleasures of a cheerful Christmas remain with you and help to keep you happy throughout the New Year.

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507 South Ohio Phone 629

Greetings

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dick
STATE FAIR GROCERY
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It's the season of open hearts, when warm wishes glow on the open hearth of friendship!

The Season's Greetings

May your Yuletide happiness be as bright as the glittering decorations and ornaments on your Christmas Tree!

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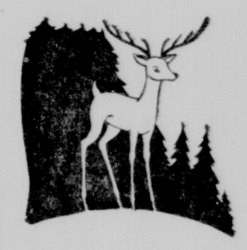

Season's Greetings

The best of wishes to the best of people . . . our customers!

EASTVIEW
BARBECUE & SERVICE STATION
East 50 Highway Phone 3236

GREETINGS

We cannot help but think of our many friends who have made the past year so worthwhile. To all of them, we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

SEDALIA PACKAGE STORE
L. L. Kroencke, proprietor
Complete Liquor Department
121 South Ohio St. Sedalia

Merry, merry Christmas

With a genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to our many friends the greetings of the season with joy for Christmas and good luck for the New Year.

ANDY'S TAVERN
211 South Ohio

Season's Greetings

from your grocer . . .

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808 W. Cooper Phone 3011

GENE'S MARKET
16th and Park Phone 751

GWINN'S
820 South Engineer Phone 587

SULLIVAN & MADORIN
1702 South Kentucky Phone 2188

Hey, Pop! Don't Show Junior How It Runs, Let Him Find Out About Toys For Himself

Papa shouldn't play with the mechanical toy Santa brings, so says the president of a large manufacturing company. Let Junior find out for himself, he says.

What a blow to Sedalia papas. After all that is one of the joys of being a papa — showing the little fellow how to get the toys working — how to wind it up or build it up or tear it up — and that has happened, too.

The little boy will pick up the wonderful new toy on Christmas morning — look it over and think to himself: "Hm-m, how does it work?"

And father will stand beaming down on him — eager to take it from the chubby little hands and show the boy what to do to make it go — or wiggle or play music— the youngster will laugh and papa is in his glory — but that isn't the way it should be done — so the man says.

The purpose of a plaything is to stimulate a child's curiosity and self expression through imagination. By denying the child the privilege of exploring and discovering his new toy you are destroying one half of the fun and educational value of a toy. Isn't that awful — just think what the men of today would have been like if they hadn't had the educational value destroyed by their papa's playing with their toys.

Most children will, through investigation, discover how a toy works. If a toy's workings are too complex for the curious little mind to master then the toy is too far advanced for him, says the man, and therein is a cue to papa — if it is too far advanced for the little boy then there is no reason why papa shouldn't play with it — he could manage to get something a little less complicated for the child. In fact there are many guides nowadays on buying toys and he wouldn't need to tell mama that he knew all the time the toy was too advanced for sonny. When you choose a new toy — says the man, it is wise to consult these guides and to avoid buying a toy that will anger or ruffle a child because of it's intricacies — so if the child gets mad at the top papa had better grab it before he tosses it on the floor and breaks it.

To obtain the maximum enjoyment from a new toy, let the child discover the toy through his own investigations. Then watch his thrilled satisfaction. It's a rich, heart - warming reward for you as well as the child — says the man— but we wonder.

Santa do something about this— don't let such an idea spoil papa's Christmas — and what woman will never let that happen in her home — mama is sure to do something about it — she wants her little boy to have a wonderful Christmas with toys that will go and do all sorts of things — but she wants her big boy to have fun, too. She isn't going to stand by and see papa look wishfully at sonny's toys and not get his hands on them — no indeed — she will look up that toy-buying guide herself and get something very complicated — something sonny just can't figure out— and something papa will love — because mama's always see that everybody in her family has a Merry Christmas; that is the fun of being the mama in a home — that is just part of her job and she loves it.

Dog Helps Local Girl Scouts Make Candles for Yule

The little group of Girl Scouts were making candles in the basement of the home of one of them— for that was one of the Christmas projects — lovely homemade Christmas candles.

The dog looked on. Nobody paid much attention to him. But he wanted to help with the Christmas candles, too. And he did, just as soon as the little girls left for a few minutes.

Those were very pretty candles— the little dog thought, but they needed a little carving on them— he liked fancy candles — so he just went to work. He chewed on them and fixed them all up fancy— at least he thought they looked fancy—but the little girls didn't.

Do you know what those girls did — they melted them up and made those candles all over — they just haven't any appreciation of art — thinks the little dog — and he did so want to be a little Boy Scout and do his good deed to help people have a Merry Christmas.

'Thanks, Sam, With Your Help I'm a Success!'

THE most important thought I ever had was that of my individual responsibility toward God.

—Daniel Webster.

Scrooges Can't Stop Christmas

By G. H. S.

'Tis Christmas eve.

Peace, good will, noel; yes, there is a Santa Claus, Virginia; and all that sort of thing.

Old Scrooges squint their eyes in mental anguish as they witness all the fuss about Christmas by mass hypocrites who salve their conscience with a gift-bribe to some friend or relative; who go to church and expect other non-goers in their ignorance to believe they are regulars.

Twenty-four hours of self-satisfaction and then back to the old skin games, wife-beating, angry name-calling, gossip, law breaking, immorality, hidden resentments that bring about dyspepsia and ulcers.

Yes, the world is in a mess and people are in a mess in the past, today, and in the future because they follow false leaders.

'Tis Christmas Eve and Scrooges are not happy.

One wonders they have the will to go on living except to be on hand for the second coming of Christ so they can ridicule that event.

Yet with all the evil in the world today, the Scrooges can't stop Christmas Eves, or Christmas Days, or Easters. They can't squelch that spark of divinity that continues to glow in the breast of man, that spark that keeps alive the hope of humanity to struggle on for the Divine era on Earth. The coming may be a million years, but time means nothing to the Great Power. The human experiment goes on, and in the going each individual may contribute a tiny part to the final accomplishment.

So today, despite the Scrooges, man joining with man in joyous reverence even for a day reminds himself that all is not hopeless; that it is good to hold fast to all that is good.

Open Christmas Day

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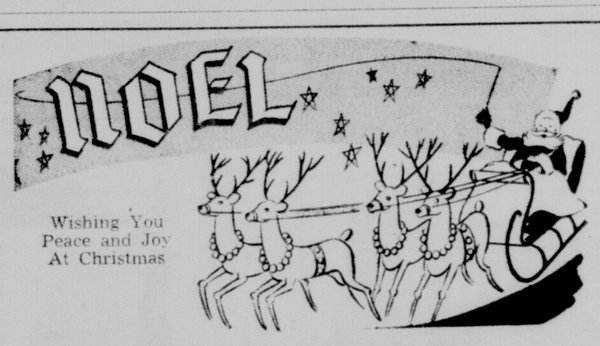

Wishing You Peace and Joy At Christmas

TISH BEAUTY SALON
Tish Taylor and Employees
509 South Ohio St.

May Your Christmas Be a Merry One!

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

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I am now located at the
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As gay young carolers' voices ring out to exult this day . . . we extend our hearty greetings to you for a happy, Yuletide season!

ADAMS - RILEY
Your Natural and Bottle Gas Appliance Dealer
310 West Second St. Phone 202

Greetings

We say to you, "Merry Christmas" have a gay day filled with good gifts, good cheer, good friends, plus our sincere good wishes!

Mr. and Mrs. Potts Evans and Employees

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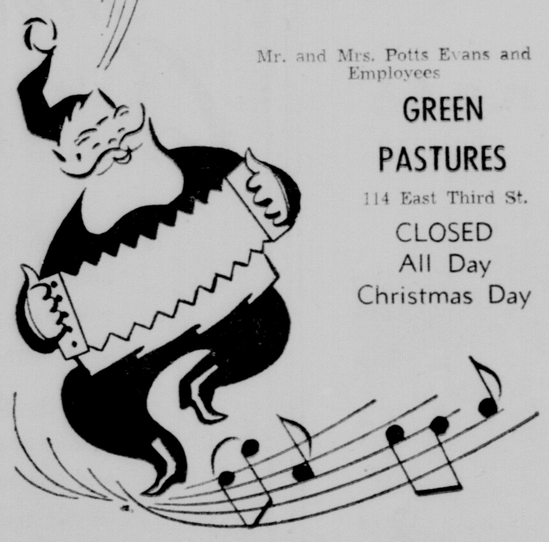

Our wish is that yours is a truly wonderful Christmas.

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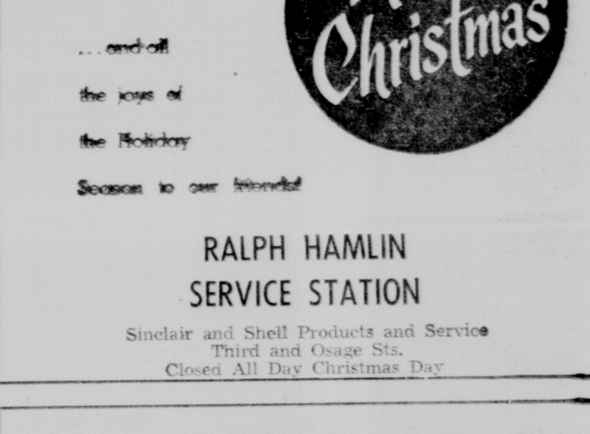

. . . and all the joys of the Holiday Season to our friends!

RALPH HAMLIN SERVICE STATION
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ROSENTHAL'S Sedalia Missouri

SEND YOU . . .

We're overflowing with good wishes for all our many friends for a happy, carefree holiday filled with many blessings!

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It is our fondest wish to all our friends that this Christmas brings all good cheer and also a peaceful New Year.

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Arabs Get Corner on Holy Land

JERUSALEM — How to get across to travelers that outstanding Holy Places are in the Arab sector of Palestine is one of many headaches plaguing the tourist industry of Arab Jerusalem today.

This is a serious matter to the 60,000 residents of the Old City. With Palestine's seaports, industries, and best farm land on the Israeli side of partition lines, Jerusalem Arabs have only the tourist trade to rely on as a profitable business.

The misconception regarding location of Holy Places has cost Arab Jerusalem heavily in the past four years. There are countless cases of European or American tourists planning a trip to the "Holy Land" and spending practically all their time in Israel. With time and money budgeted, many such tourists realize too late that the most interesting historic shrines are on the other side of the line.

Shrines Over The Border

On the Arab side are the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Garden Tomb, Calvary, the old walled city of Jerusalem, the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the Site of the Sacred Baptism on the Jordan river, and countless other sacred Christian spots.

The Jewish Wailing Wall is on the Arab side, along with beautiful Moslem shrines such as the Dome of the Rock and the Aqsa Mosque.

Further inside Jordan are the well - preserved Roman city of Gerash and the fabulous Nabatean city of Petra, a complete classical city carved out of the solid rock of mountains in southern Palestine.

A second misconception hurting the Arab tourist industry is the belief that no good accommodations are available in Arab Jerusalem. It is true that the city has no deluxe hotels. But Arab Jerusalem has an increasing number of small first - class hotels furnishing excellent accommodations at modest rates.

In 1949, Arab Jerusalem had only 66 beds in first - class hotels. Today there are 276 beds in first-class hotels. In addition there are hundreds of beds in smaller pensions, hostels, and religious institutions.

Arab Jerusalem has daily plane connections with Cairo and Beirut. Jerusalem also can be reached cheaply by car from Beirut via Damascus and Amman.

Better roads have been completed from Jerusalem to the Mount of Olives and to Bethlehem, greatly shortening the trip to those sites. A new road has been built from Amman to Gerash. Cheap taxis can take the tourist anywhere he wants to go in Jordan.

Visas Are Available

Visas are not hard to get. Ordinarily, this can be taken care of by travel agents in quick time. Jordan maintains consulates at Washington, London, Paris, Rome, Madrid, Cairo, Beirut, and other points. Official instructions have gone but to simplify granting of tourist visas.

As these misconceptions are overcome, business men in Arab Jerusalem believe their city again will show signs of life and relative prosperity.

Helping the tourist industry along is a new government Bureau of Tourism set up with the aid of $350,000 given by Point Four.

IN THE ARAB ZONE — The Church of All Nations in the foreground, the Garden of Gethsemane at left and the Greek Orthodox Church of Gethsemane in the left background.

Auntie Has a Tree

This year there is a tree at Auntie's house.

Fixing a tree is a lot of trouble and after all there would be only Auntie at home for Christmas.

But every year the three little nephews and the little niece wonder about it. Of course there was no one living there with Auntie, but they were there so much of the time that they felt they just belonged there.

Somehow they just couldn't understand why Santa never brought Auntie a tree.

"You are such a nice person", said the littlest one of the family, "Why doesn't Santa bring you a tree?"

"Yes," said one of the others, "Every other day there is always something here. On Easter the bunnie leaves colored eggs, on Fourth of July you have firecrackers, every birthday there is something and even on Hallowe'en you have a jack-o'-lantern."

And so, this year Auntie has a tree — bright with lights, ornaments and tinsel — and even if it is a lot of work — it is worth it — for it is Christmas — the time the children love most of all— and if a tree at her house makes Christmas happier for them — that is what she wants.

Church Circle Elects Mrs. Silver, President

The Florence Harris Circle of the Windsor Baptist Church met Monday night, Dec. 15, in the home of Mrs. Jule Wall. There were 13 members and five guests present.

Mrs. William Jackson conducted the business meeting. Committee reports were given. The following officers were elected to serve the coming year: Mrs. Taylor Silver, president; Mrs. Gene Womble, vice president; Josephine Henry, secretary; Mrs. Max Riecke, treasurer; Mrs. Waldo Wheeler, chairman of missionary activities.

Mrs. Ralph Marti and Mrs. Kenneth Marti presented the lesson, "Where Jesus Walked." Mrs. Waldo Wheeler gave an interesting story of the life of Lottie Moon, after which the special foreign mission offering was taken, amounting to $122.50. The meeting closed with the group singing "Silent Night."

Refreshments were served during the social hour.

The January meeting will be with Mrs. Glenn Smith with Mrs. Taylor Silver, leader.

And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant.—Matthew 20:27.

Democrat Pick-Ups

Odds and Ends By News Staff

"I wish people would put their last names on Christmas cards," said a woman, "I got a Christmas card once and it had just the first names on it. It took me three years to figure out who the card was from — the third year I saw one of the fellows in the office signing his Christmas cards with his and his wife's first names and then the light dawned, I knew who that Christmas card was from."—H. L.

Texas seemed a long way from home to a young woman — especially at holiday time and when the gang had a Christmas party planned a few days earlier — she just had to get home in time for that party.

After all she hadn't seen any of them since she went to the college in September — and she had so much to tell them.

She picked up her red coat and started hurriedly to her room. But when she was almost there she put her hand in her coat pocket and her key wasn't there. Then she discovered that she had on the wrong coat.

She raced back and was relieved to find the girl whose coat she had on was still there. She had visions of searching all over everywhere trying to find the girl who had her coat and whose coat she was wearing.

She got packed and with another girl started to the station. They got on the train and everything was fine until they came to a place where they had to wait 40 minutes. Instead of going in the station to eat they went a little farther to a place just beyond the station and ate leisurely. But this time the stopover wasn't 40 minutes—the train had been late and it was only 20 minutes. They got back in time to hear interested people say to the — "That your train? You just missed it—."

What to do next was the question. She simply had to get to Sedalia for the Christmas party—that was all there was to it.

So she talked the other girl, who could have stayed all night in the town because she had relatives there, into taking a taxi to the next town.

"I never liked to go fast," said the young woman, "but the man driving was old and he was going about 50 — seemed to me he was barely creeping—."

Just in time he made it though, and the two girls paid him five dollars and got on their train.

Then the girl got to Sedalia just the morning of the party and her baggage didn't. She had clothes to wear to the party, all right, but all of her hankies were with her baggage. So, she knew she had some that she had left at home. She went in, picked out a pretty one and started to the party. Then—as she was talking and everybody was looking right at her, she opened up the hankie, which was just about as tattered and torn as a hankie could be.

She laughed, she didn't care at all, after all she didn't care about anything. She was home again and she had made the party. Almost as if the person who had drawn her name for the party knew what was going to happen to her, she opened up her package and what should it be but a hankie — a nice, whole hankie, with her name on it.—H. L.

DEBORAH ANN MEETS SANTA—Only six months old, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sibert, Tipton, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boulware, Syracuse, made her first trip recently to see the old man with the white whiskers. She is a resident of Kansas City and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Boulware.

Euzelian Circle Meets With Mrs. C. Henry

The Euzelian Circle of Windsor Baptist Church met Thursday evening, Dec. 18, in the home of Mrs. Clark Henry, with Mrs. Roy Hunt as assistant hostess. A very interesting lesson, "Where Jesus Walked," was given by Mrs. Elwood Barbour. Special music was by Mrs. Belford Jackson.

Refreshments were served during the social hour and the group enjoyed their exchange of Christmas gifts.

And Best Wishes to All Our Friends and Customers.

Klang's
The House of Cards
312 South Ohio Phone 321

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THE BUNGALOW
We Will Be Closed All Day Christmas Day
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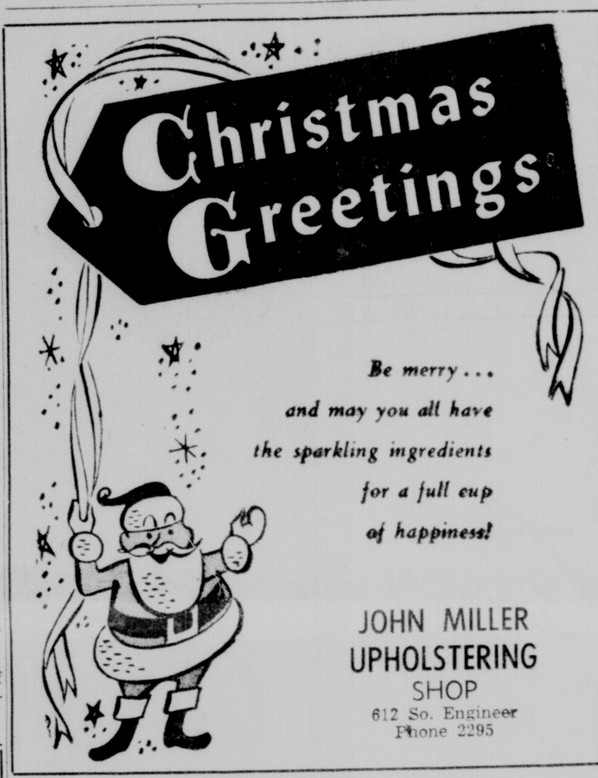

Be merry . . .
and may you all have
the sparkling ingredients
for a full cup
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AND A
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We wish to thank all our friends
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for their fine support during
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a successful and prosperous 1953.

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Our wish to you this joyful Holiday Season is as old as St. Nick and as sincere as the spirit of his smile—
Merry Christmas!

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Late Shopper's Fun

By Mrs. Melvin White
A Member of The
Democrat News Staff

As Christmas Day draws closer and closer I am once again seized with that half - desperate feeling that last minute Christmas shopping gives one.

I dash from store to store in hopes of spying just the right thing and then when I do see a pair of house slippers for my uncle I find that they don't have the right size and the scarf for my cousin isn't in the right color. That is the way it goes, until I feel like pulling my hair out. But that wouldn't do much good. . . just leave me bald headed.

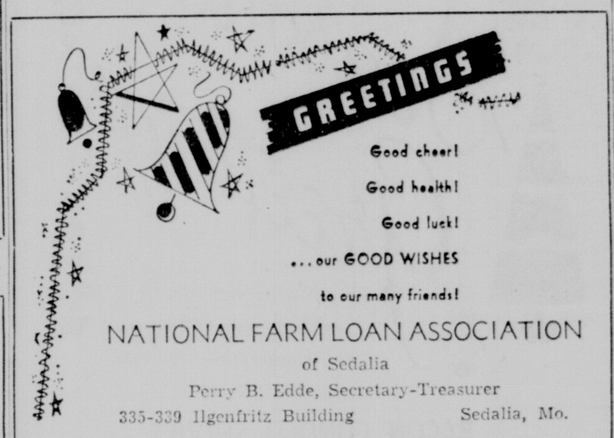
Either the years are getting shorter or the periods between Christmases are shrinking, because it seems like only yesterday we were putting away the decorations. Then suddenly I heard someone say "I mailed my husband a Christmas package last week".

I went home and picked up the evening paper and there staring me in the face, was the statement "All overseas packages must be mailed" by a certain date, and in the right hand corner of the page was the cartoon saying that there were only 21 more days left until Christmas.

Well, I have always been in favor of last minute shopping because the week before Christmas everyone has the gay holiday spirit and we're all in the same 'last minute boat'. Usually there is snow on the ground and snowflakes dancing about, which causes the crowd to hurry along just a bit faster.

But because Christmas comes sooner than it used to, I vividly recall that last year when I was running around in the stores like a chicken with his head chopped off I solemnly vowed that I would begin my next year's shopping in mid-July. I thought that if I started then I would surely be through by Thanksgiving and I would have exactly one month to wrap and deliver them.

Somehow I have let the time sneak up on me and I am once again caught in the last minute rush. . .but how I love to be one of those last minute shoppers.



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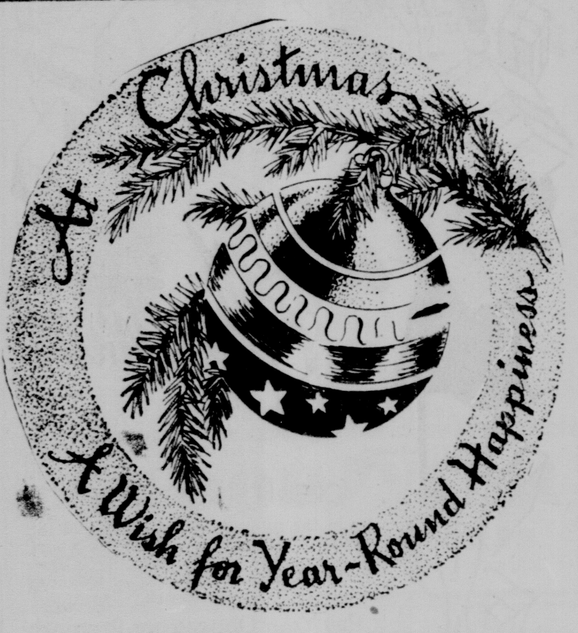

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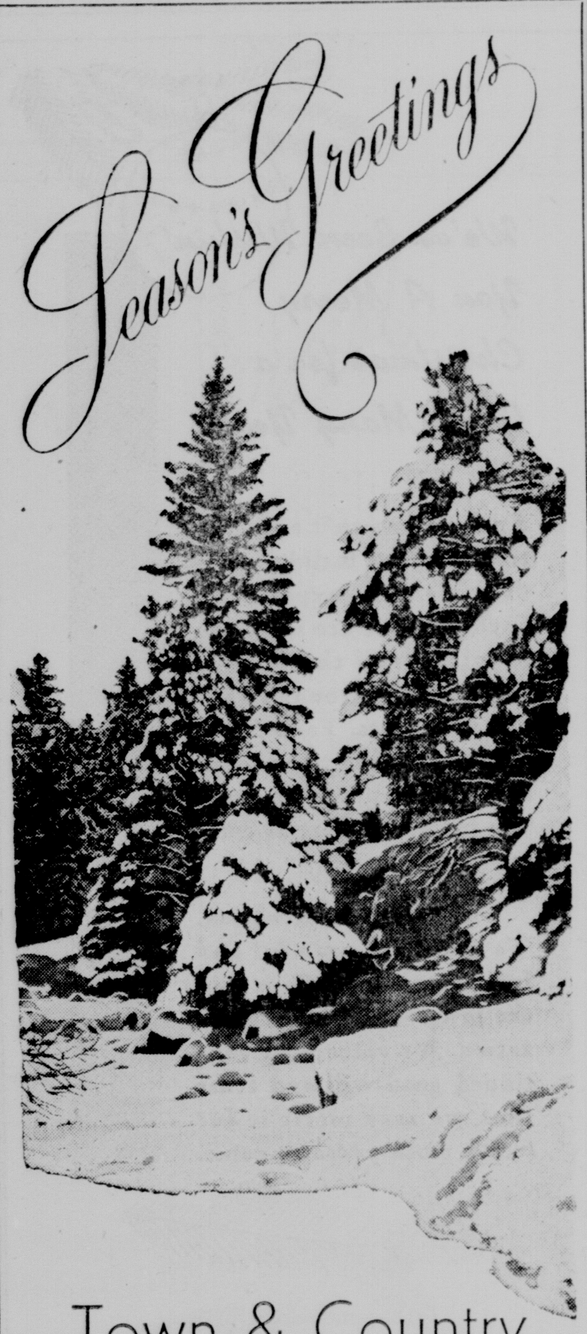

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We have come to the end of another year of pleasant associations with those whose confidence, friendship and good will we value so highly . . . those whom we have been privileged to serve during our 69 years of banking in this community.

Once more it becomes our pleasure to send our friends and patrons our heart-felt greetings and to wish them a Christmas abundant with good cheer . . . one that will usher in a New Year of peace, happiness and prosperity.

As 1953 approaches, we pledge to be increasingly helpful in serving your financial needs and to share with you the benefits of our many years of experience.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

from the officers, directors and personnel of the

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What Christmas Means to Me

By Mrs. O. M. Waller

Christmas, to me, is a magic time. It's a time when there is mystery in the very air we breathe, with suspense and hurry in every waking moment. But sometimes in that very wonderful atmosphere we lose sight of the most important part of Christmas.

First of all, it is the birthday of our Lord, and certainly a time for celebrating. In order to honor Him to the fullest, we attend church and show our devotion to Him by our presence and reverence. The beautiful services held at that time are inspirational as well as reverent.

Again we honor our Lord by remembering children, unfortunate and shut-ins. It is a time when families draw closer together, bound by family traditions, love and devotion. It is truly a magic time.

Nine Days of Noel

The wife and mother who gives a sigh of happy relief when Christmas night falls can congratulate herself upon not living in Mexico. In that neighboring country of ours there are Yuletide parties for nine days preceding Dec. 25.

WHAT we have in us of the image of God is the love of truth and justice.

—Demosthenes.

Christmas In Hollywood Is a Family Affair

"As in the rest of the country, a Hollywood Christmas is primarily for the family and the children," writes Robert Carson, author of "The Magic Lantern."

"The principal celebrations on the day itself are within the domestic circle and seldom include more than close friends. The streets are deserted. A great quiet falls. The sun shines down in its genial fashion and everybody is upstairs taking a nap after a second helping of dressing, or is out in the back yard showing Junior how to get into his new outer space rocket."

GOD will keep no nation in supreme peace that will not do supreme duty.

NOEL

Happy Holiday from all of us".

ODENDAHL WOODWORK
2505 W. Broadway
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CHRISTMAS Wishes

Good health, good fortune and good cheer...these are our Christmas wishes for you. And may you enjoy each of them in increasing measure every day of the New Year.

BILLY'S BEAUTY SHOP
106½ West 5th
Mrs. Alice Parsley
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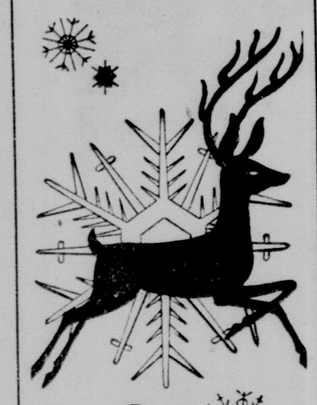


Greetings

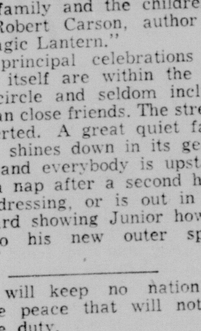
May health, good cheer and happiness too, rush to your home on twinkling feet and abide with you, making every day Christmas Day.

SAFEWAY
by
ROBERT K. JONES, Manager
and Employees

Season's Greetings

...with every good wish for your happiness at Christmas, and throughout the New Year.

VIRGIL BACON
BACON CONOCO SERVICE
Sixth and Osage Streets



Merry Christmas

ROSE LEIBBRAND
Realtor
Ilgenfritz Building
Phone 22

Merry Christmas

BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

THEO. GRIFFITH
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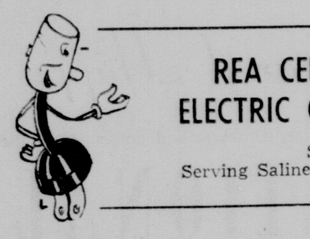
Over 28 Years Your Home Owned Grocery

WE ARE GRATEFUL

As we prepare to enjoy the peace and good fellowship of the Yuletide, we are grateful for Him whose kindly and understanding attitude toward His fellowman set an example, which, if followed will make a truly peaceful world.

And to you, our friends, we wish you all the joys of a happy Christmas.

Merry Christmas



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SEDALIA, MO.
Serving Saline, Pettis and Benton Counties

We wish you ALL the MERRIEST CHRISTMAS your health will permit, and all the Prosperity you can stand during the coming New Year!

Greetings

SEDALIA SAVINGS & LOAN ASS'N.
A. L. Pringle, Acting Secretary
112 W. 4th Street Telephone 78

Merrie Christmas

An oft-repeated greeting but never more sincere than this, our annual wish to our patrons and friends for a Joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

PORTER REAL ESTATE CO.
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The Heartiest of Greetings The Jolliest of Cheer

The Merriest of Christmases The Happiest New Year!

To those whose friendly support during the past year has contributed so greatly to our welfare we extend cordial and appreciative thanks.

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in the integrity of an individual to carry through his agreements. Your willingness to pay promptly is the basis on which the retailer extends you credit.

Pay Your Obligations Promptly

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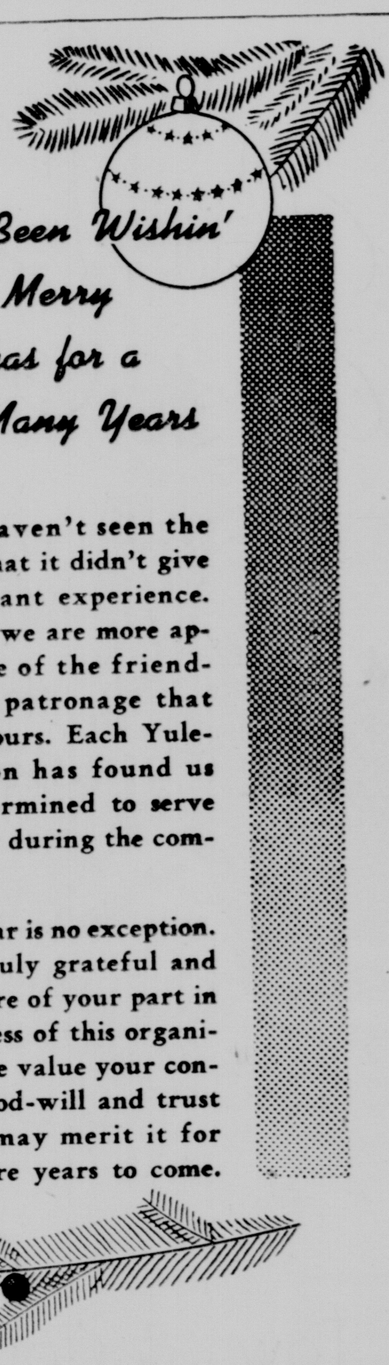

We've Been Wishin' You A Merry Christmas for a Great Many Years

And we haven't seen the time yet that it didn't give us a pleasant experience. Each year we are more appreciative of the friendships and patronage that has been ours. Each Yuletide season has found us more determined to serve you better during the coming year.

This year is no exception. We are truly grateful and fully aware of your part in the progress of this organization. We value your continued good-will and trust that we may merit it for many more years to come.

F. W. BRYANT
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Merry Christmas

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Pardner at Christmas

If I live to be 100, I won't forget my eleventh Christmas, for that was the first time my absolute faith in my fellow man was tested and proved justified.

Times were tough that year in the small farming community in which I lived. The spring rains had been too heavy for proper planting, and the summer showers too light and infrequent. And so my parents thought it a stroke of good fortune when I was offered a job in the general store during the holiday rush.

But I had made other plans, and that's where the rub came.

Living in a small house on the edge of town there was a man who was the controversy of my neighborhood. He earned his livelihood from the land, like most of us, but in a different manner. In the spring and summer he fished, and in the fall and winter he hunted ad trapped. In good years, when the catfish ran well, the ducks didn't go through too quickly and the muskrat price held up, he earned an adequate living — but this year he too had had slim pickings.

To most of the women in the community, Uncle Harve represented the living example of what a man would be if he didn't have female guidance; to most of the men he was the object of open forbearance and secret envy; and to me he was a combination Daniel Boone and Robin Hood, and, above all, my friend.

And I had made a deal with Uncle Harve.

Due to the low price of muskrat pelts, the old woodsman had doubled the usual length of his

By Dick Wade
A Member of The
Democrat News Staff

traplines; and due to the growing pangs of rheumatism, he had to have help in running them. And, of all his young admirers, he had picked me as his assistant, promising one-fourth of the "take" as my share.

It took a lot of promising, several tears and some help from my father to convince Mother that I was obligated to carry-out my bargain, but finally she gave-in — with a bevy of uncomplimentary remarks to her husband and grim predictions concerning my future.

And so, with only two weeks until Christmas, I entered the trapping business.

To list the things I learned during that period would be impossible. Uncle Harve not only knew the ways of wildlife better than anyone around, but he knew the good and evil in man equally well. He vividly illustrated the damage done by the poor sport and the game - hog while he pointed-out whims of the coon and red fox; and he made clear the value of conservation as he patiently instructed me in trap-setting and pelt preparation.

I was in paradise, but my earnings were running behind the pay Clem Stevens was compiling at my erstwhile job at the general store—a fact Mother mentioned in no uncertain terms.

As we ran the lines Dec. 23, I was beginning to feel the first bite of doubt. Uncle Harve didn't say anything, but he knew the story, in the same way a good dog knows when his master is wrestling with a problem.

He was unusually quiet as we checked the last set, near the big pile of drift at Thompson's Bend. He examined the trap for several minutes, reset it in an entirely new manner, and finally said, "Boy, I think we're going to balance the books." That was all.

The next morning I noticed a new spring in the old fellow's step as we set-out to check the lines. By the time we neared the end of the string, it was all I could to keep up with him. He reached the set in the drift pile slightly before I did, and as he looked in the trap, the lazy smile which had been hanging on his lips all day grew into an ear-to-ear grin.

In the trap was a beautiful, evil-looking animal the likes of which I had never seen. "Boy", chuckled Uncle Harve, "I want you to meet

a friend of mine whom I haven't seen in quite a spell — Old Man Mink."

Well, you can imagine the hubbub in the general store when, some two hours later, Uncle Bosh sold his bundle of pelts — topped by the first mink taken in our county in seven years, trapped as Uncle Harve said, "By me and my pardner."

To me it was worth everything to receive the pats on the back from my father's friends (and the green-eyed stare from Clem Stevens) as Uncle Harve paid me my one-fourth share. But my world became shining bright when the old man later called me aside, handed me the eight - dollars he had received for the mink, and muttered, "Merry Christmas, Pardner".

That was all that ever passed between us concerning the incident, except the wink he gave me when he noticed the cameo brooch at Mother's throat as he took his place beside the minister at our Christmas table.

Miracle of Yule, Enduring Beauty

The miracle of Christmas seems to be one of the last enduring beauties of our time. For who, indeed, can resist the brightly lit trees, tinseled windows, warm-hearted greeting cards, caroling voices.

These well-loved yule customs reach far back into the past. And their true traditional meaning was, of course, inspired by the birth of Christ.

The very idea of Christmas gifts began with the gold, frankincense and myrrh brought to the Infant Jesus by the Three Wise Men.

Candles are burned in church as a symbol of enlightenment. It's also an old Irish custom to place a lighted candle in the window on Christmas Eve—to guide the Christ Child on His long journey from heaven.

Another ancient legend says that when Christ was born the devil died and all the bells on earth rang in celebration, just as they will ring again on Christmas morning.

In Sweden, ale is given to the cattle on Christmas Eve in honor of their presence at the manger in Bethlehem. In the German Alps, legends persist that all animals can speak on Christmas Eve.

As the years have passed, many other symbols of love and devotion have taken their place next to the deeply religious tributes to Christ.

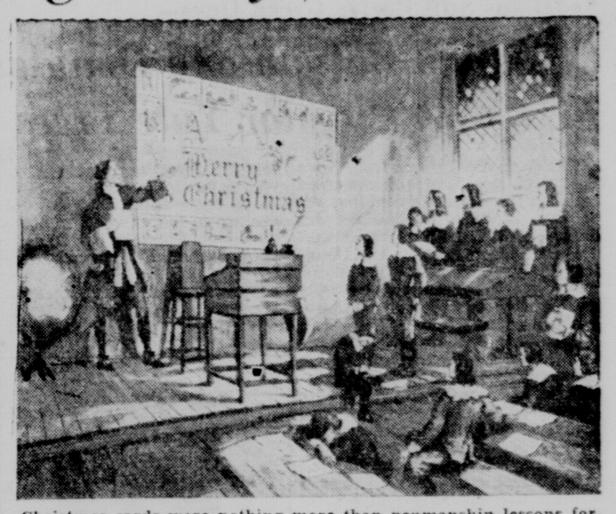
The Christmas tree, for instance, has become an indispensable part of the holiday. Martin Luther is credited with having brought the first Christmas tree indoors over 400 years ago. Luther used candles, symbolizing the star - lit skies of Christmas Eve, to decorate his tree.

And who can imagine Christmas without the magical presence of Santa Claus? The bearded giver of gifts, however, is known only in America. Early Dutch settlers at New Amsterdam brought the legend of Saint Nicholas with them, changing his name first to Santa Nikalaus and then to Santa Klaus. Washington Irving, beloved colonial author, gave Santa his reindeer-drawn sleigh in 1809. Thomas Nast, the cartoonist, added Santa's red, ermine - trimmed coat.

The popular custom of hanging stockings originated with the Dutch settlers at New Amsterdam, too. In Holland they had tucked their gifts for one another into wooden shoes, but as their style of dress changed, little Dutch boys and girls began hanging up their stockings to catch Santa's eye.

Christmas cards developed from English "school pieces" of 250 years ago. Written as expressions of good will at Christmastime, they were actually lessons in penmanship for school children. It wasn't until 1842 that William Maw Egley, Jr., a 16-year-old engraver's apprentice, designed the world's first Christmas card.

By 1860 the Christmas card custom was popular through England, and in 1875, Louis Prang of Boston introduced the first line of Christmas cards in America. Today, their colorful designs help keep many of the old and wondrous Christmas customs alive. And their warm-hearted verses recall the words of Charles Dickens—"Christmas messages are a great accumulation of friendly recollections."



Christmas cards were nothing more than penmanship lessons for English school children of 250 years ago (above). Today, their colorful designs and warm-hearted messages help keep many of the old customs alive, and bring friends and family close together.

Christmas Holiday Scene at Branson

The annual Christmas holiday feature of the Adoration Scene at Branson, Missouri, which has been viewed by thousands of people is again part of the Christmas project to bring the real spirit of Christmas to the Ozarks. It is erected on a high bluff, directly across from Branson, overlooking Lake Taneycomo. The nativity scene is made up of figures 20 feet high and is done in high color with beautiful lighting effect.

and best wishes for good fortune through the coming year

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Best Wishes For Your Holiday

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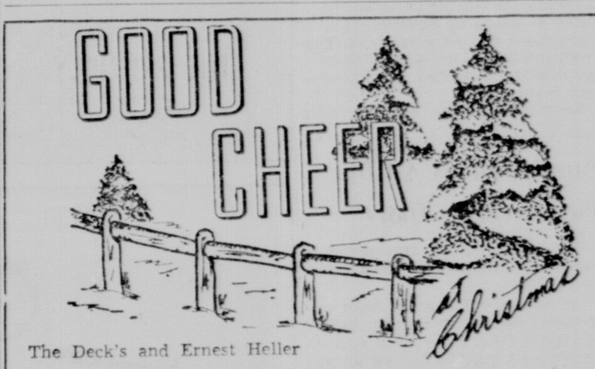

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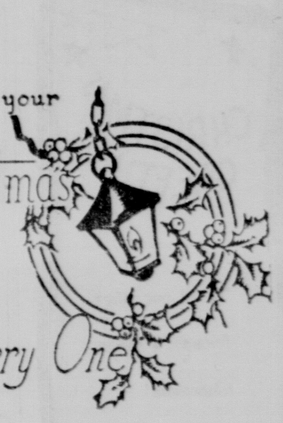
"Where Customers Send Their Friends"

May your Christmas be a Merry One



from . . .
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell
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Bell's SHOE STORE
209 So. Ohio Sedalia Phone 459

Merry Christmas
from ALL of Us at . . .
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Telephone 89 — Sedalia, Mo.

A Very Special CHRISTMAS GREETING

May Christmas bring plenty of good things your way — and may you enjoy them for many days to come.

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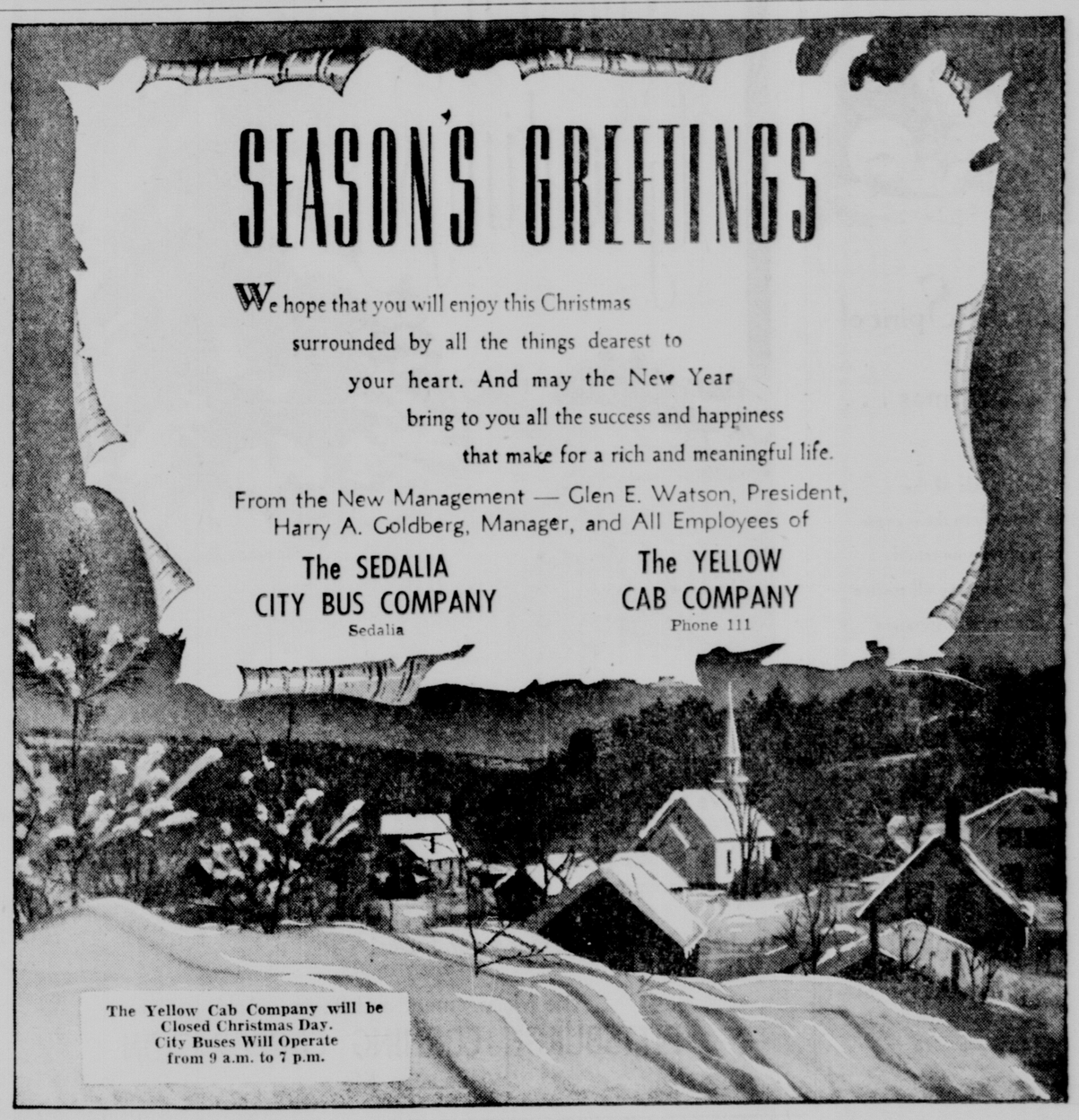


Sedalians Still Prefer Green Ones---

Canadian Balsam and Douglas Firs Most Popular Yule Trees

The Canadian balsam from Nova Scotia is the favorite evergreen tree for Christmas in Sedalia, according to Leon H. Archias Jr., owner of the Archias Floral Co.

Second in demand is the Douglas fir from British Columbia, which resembles spruce closely and is often mistaken by the public for spruce.

Sedalians also are buying more and more white trees, although the majority still prefer the naturally green ones. White trees were considered a temporary fad a few years ago by the nurseries and florists, Archias said, but apparently they are here to stay.

The paint used for these trees is whiter than ordinary white paint and is supposed to be fire retardant, but Archias hesitates to accept this entirely. Simple fire prevention measures are more reliable.

The old-fashioned door wreath is slowly being replaced by green and white sprays arranged in different ways, he said. Called "door hangers," they are composed of greenery, ribbon and holly leaves and berries. Archias said he uses English holly from Oregon, where the foggy climate on the coast is similar to that of England.

English holly has been used exclusively for the past two or three years in place of Southern holly, which used to be the favorite. The English variety, he said, lasts longer, has more berries and has shinier leaves.

Sedalians have been buying their trees earlier this year than ever before. Archias attributed this to three reasons. First, children are no longer asked to believe that Santa Claus brings the trees the night before Christmas. Second, a busier world forces housekeepers to arrange for Christmas earlier in order to get all the work done on time. Third, the growing popularity of pre-Christmas parties means that hostesses want holiday decorations up earlier.

The first trees arrive at his store at Thanksgiving, he said, and the first ones begin to sell on the first Monday in December. There are some people in town who consider these early purchases a tradition.

The Archias company sold its first Christmas trees in 1899, with a stock of Minnesota spruces and native cedars. Cedars are fast losing their popularity, Archias explained, because they discolor so easily unless they are amply supplied with water. This year's drought has left them all brown.

Neither are the Minnesota spruces sold here anymore because they lose their needles fast. That is why, he said, that he orders all his trees from Canada now. They seem to be hardier and remain more moist.

As for size, the bulk of Sedalia's residents prefer medium or small trees that fit into apartments and small homes. However, he said, there are still a great many families who consider it an inviolable rule to have a tree that reaches to the ceiling.

The general conclusion is that convenience plays an ever increasing role in Christmas decorations, but tradition still has a firm grasp on Sedalia.

Family Opens All But Two Presents Daily

"We always keep two presents ahead at Christmas," said a Sedalia woman.

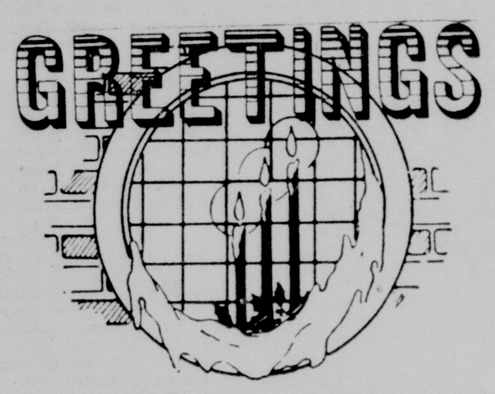
"If we have three we open one of them, no matter how far before Christmas it is. If we have a dozen we open all but two but we always keep two until Christmas morning. We think it is more fun to string them out — we like for Christmas to last and last."

Once more we pause to wish our friends and patrons the most joyous of Christmases. May your holiday be bright with cheer!

Mrs. Ruby Countryman

THE FRIENDLY CAFE

109 South Lamine



with all good wishes

for a glorious Holiday Season

THE VAN WAGNER AGENCY

110 West Third Street

J. L. Van Wagner, Sr. and J. L. Van Wagner, Jr.

Merry Christmas

GARST'S DRIVE-IN

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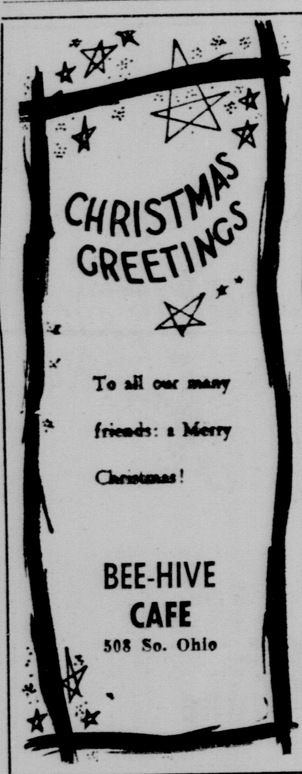

To all our many friends: a Merry Christmas!

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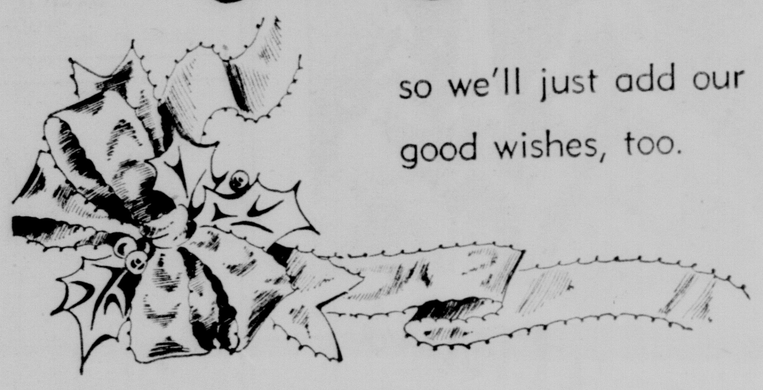

so we'll just add our good wishes, too.

QUEEN CITY ELECTRIC CO.

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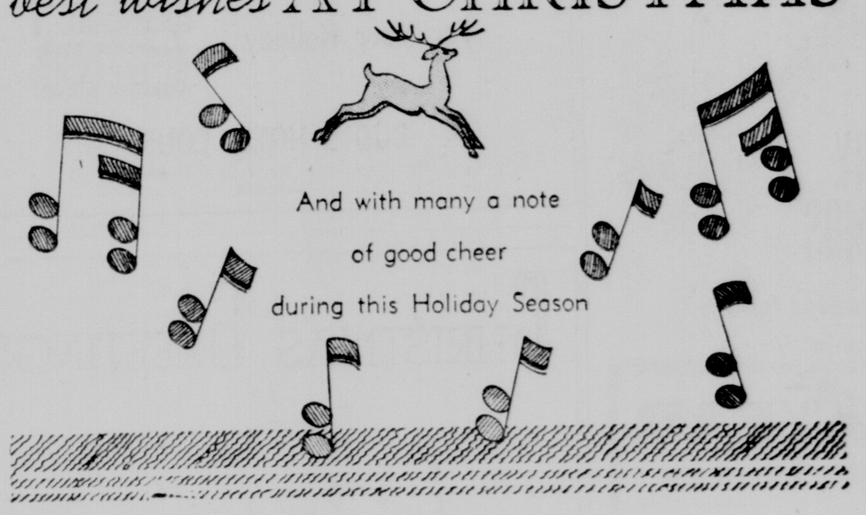
GREETING YOU *with all best wishes* AT CHRISTMAS



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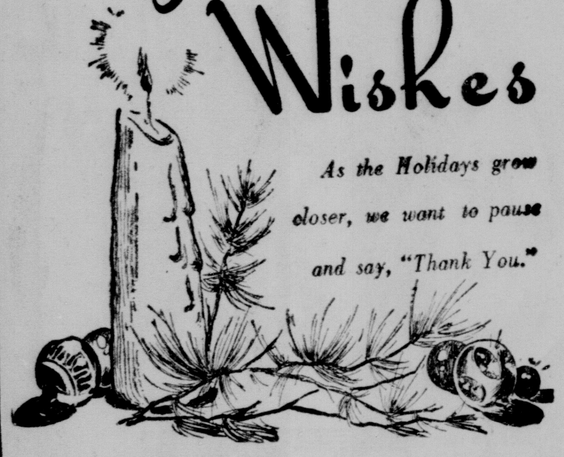

As the Holidays grow closer, we want to pause and say, "Thank You."

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To all—a grand Christmas.

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One Man's $10,000 Christmas Tree Draws 10,000 Strangers to Parlor

10 Small Trees, 4,000 Ornaments, Add Up to This

DENVER, Colo. — A Christmas "open house" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gano Senter of Denver is like other Christmas "open houses" in only one respect.

People come in for short visits, but they're not just friends and relatives. There have been 10,000 of them each Yule season for the past 20 years. Usually they're complete strangers. And they don't come to see the Senters.

They cross the Senter threshold to see what well may be the world's most dazzling private Christmas tree. It cost a small fortune, is exhibited with showmanship and never fails to enthrall spectators.

The Senter Christmas tree is about 10 small trees and 50 to 75 extra limbs, all firmly put together by a hired carpenter. The height of the tree—11 feet— is limited by the height of the Senter living room.

The tree has to be super-strong to support 4000 ornaments and 700 colored lights that hang on it. The whole works weighs about 700 pounds.

Mrs. Senter is sole tree - trimmer. The job takes her one week, sometimes 14 to 16 hours a day. When it is finished hardly a needle is visible, only lights and a solid mass of glittering, priceless, intricate ornaments.

Public showings begin on Christmas Day at dusk when the Senters turn on 1000 colored lights that outline the wrought - iron fence outside their home. The tree stays up until Jan. 3.

People waiting on sidewalks and in parked cars begin to file through the Senter portals in groups of 40. They are guided in a specific indoor traffic pattern.

The Senters estimate they've paid out at least $10,000 for tree bric-a-brac, which includes a silver lame cloth under it and a 200-piece miniature village that flanks it. Many decorations are gifts of well-wishers.

While guests gaze at the tree in the living room, an organ in the basement plays Christmas carols, birds twitter (it is really a French music box) and a revolving wheel casts changing colors upon the spectacle.

Senter stands by to show special ornaments like the tiny harp whose strings are minute glass vials of perfume, giant Swedish snowflakes flecked with colored stones, Moses-in-the bullrushes, a miniature organ that plays.

After 15 minutes the house lights dim, the show is over, and another group is ushered in.

The Senters cater to children. Most of their private showings are for orphans, Scout groups, and crippled youngsters and are followed by hilarious parties in the Senter rumpus room.

Mrs. Senter takes care to hang children's favorite ornaments in approximately the same spots each year.

Once a little boy cried, "Where's the littlest angel, he was right here last year!"

Senter, who spends a great deal of time watching his wife trim the tree just to be able to cope with such emergencies, comforted the lad by finding the favored ornament a couple of branches away.

The front row is generally reserved for youngsters. One father discovered he was minus a son after his group had made its exit to the street. After a frantic search in the cold night outdoors and the milling crowds inside, the lad was found squatted in kiddies' row. He'd been there all the while, seeing the show for the third time.

"We are happy to see others happy," the Senters simply offer as their motive, although they confess the crowds sometimes tire them to the point where they "have to be tempted to leave immediately for a foreign country." But each year they renew the project with vim, vigor and ornaments surpassing those of the year before.

They do not solicit visitors. Advertising is solely word-of-mouth of others, and the tree has never been publicized outside Colorado yet spectators come from all sections of the world.

Two years ago a group of maharajas from India were in Colorado to study engineering projects and dropped in to see the tree. The Senters received in the mail weeks later some intricate hand-carved ivory ornaments, gifts of princes whom their project had pleased.

LITTLE VISITOR hunts for her favorite ornament on the Senter family tree in Denver, where 10,000 strangers turn up every Yuletide to trek through the Senters' living room.

DOWN FROM THE ATTIC come 4000 ornaments as Mrs. Gano Senter, aided by granddaughters, gets ready to plan the trimmings for the family's 1952 Christmas tree in Denver, Colo.

FRED'S BARBER SHOP
110 West 16th Street

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And A Happy New Year

Merry Christmas

To the best customers and friends a firm ever had, we extend our warmest wishes for your HAPPY HOLIDAY!

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burkholder and Employees
BURKHOLDER'S
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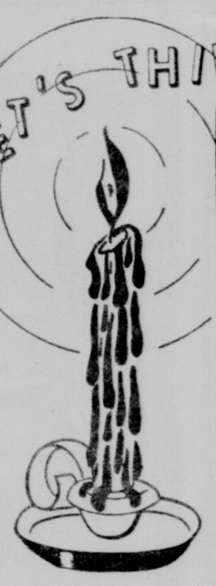
Greetings

May the bells of Christmas ring out to wish you the many blessings of The Happy Holiday Season.

Penney's
Third and Ohio Streets

LET'S THINK ABOUT CHRISTMAS



While all of us catch our breath after a very busy Christmas Season, let us extend this one sincere thought — have a huge, happy Holiday, won't you?

HOWARD
CONSTRUCTION CO.
Sedalia, Mo.

RURAL CHRISTMAS

By Carl McIntire
A Member of The Democrat News Staff

Christmas in Missouri, back in the good old days, was a community event planned for weeks in advance, carried out by many and extending leisurely over a period of several days.

The good old days were not so long ago, either. Those now in their 30's can recall the times. Cars were not so plentiful, nor so speedy. Roads were fewer, rougher and muddier. Radios were virtually unknown and TV was certainly not around to consume all evening and half a day.

People had time for friendships, and time to talk to their friends.

It was the fall of 1924 and the members of a rural church in Saline County, not far away from Sedalia, started planning their Christmas event. It was the year to go to the Sim Walters home and so Sim and his wife were in charge of arrangements.

There would be at least 50 present, so the food was of some concern. Each wife and mother had her assignment of cakes, salads, vegetables and candy. They would all have their items ready and on the big day would go to the Walters home to put it all together, finish the cooking of the turkeys and serve a feast that would be remembered.

Older young people were in charge of the tree decoration planning, but nothing was to be done ahead of time.

The men folks were in charge of getting the tree and getting their families to the big event.

Everything went according to plan and on the day before Christmas the Walters home began buzzing early. Model T's and Overlands, plus not a few buggies and spring wagons, brought the festive group for the day of preparation.

For days the men had been scouring the countryside for the best tree and each brought his report. A survey was made until all agreed on a certain one and the job of felling the tree was started.

It was too big a tree for the house, but the men had decided the top portion was perfect. They cut it down to the cheers of "timber" and then cut out the top part they had chosen. Dragging it to the house was a big event, for they were met half a quarter down the road by all the children and the youngsters "helped" get it up to the yard.

There were tall rooms in those old farm houses, and the Walters had a typical one. The ceiling was 14 feet off the floor, so the tree could be 13 feet 10 inches high. It was trimmed to that measurement, stout boards were nailed to the trunk and it was ceremoniously carried into the big living room and erected in the corner.

Decorating started then, although the work had started hours before. The youngsters had been stringing cranberries and popcorn until they had strands that were yards long. Others had cut out colored paper figures and objects of all sizes and all descriptions. These had strings attached ready for tying.

All the kids crowded 'round and in jig time the beauty of Christmas was in evidence. On ladders, the taller boys put the decorations at the top while the big girls handed them the strings, cookies and paper cutouts. The smaller boys and girls had the lower section covered far before the top was started, and the tiny tots practically buried the trunk.

The womenfolk, all the while, had been getting the turkeys killed, picked and dressed — and put on to start baking. They had made loaves of bread and set up tables in nearly every room downstairs.

It was dark before the preliminaries were over and the happy families left for their homes, not expecting to stay in bed even as late as early - rising farmers usually remained.

Long before dawn the youngsters were up, yelling to get off to the party. Breakfast took longer than usual. The milking and other chores consumed hours more than the normal day — or so it seemed. But finally, all was done that had to be done and the family was ready to leave.

It must have been all of 6 a. m. when the autos and buggies started arriving again at Walters. The late arrivals were there by 7 and old Santa arrived loudly about 8.

By the time St. Nick got there, in a one horse sleigh — with bells jingling, the tree in the living room, despite its great height, was almost lost behind the massive pile of presents.

There were few who noted that Santa's big bag of gifts hardly made any difference when they were added to the great stack. After all, he got credit for the whole affair whether he had brought anything with him or not.

With Santa in the middle, the tiniest tots closest by his side, and the others ranging around in circles, the living room was overflowing. But the wise old man with the long white beard could find anyone whose name he called as he read the tags on the parcels.

There was no unwrapping allowed until all the gifts had been distributed, but then the wrappings, tissue paper and boxes began to fly and the yells and cheers resounded and echoed through the halls.

It was a great day.

There were a few disputes over who'se toy was who'se, and big brother showing little brother how something or other should or should not be run; but they were settled.

The men, cigars and pipes puffing, were visiting and the women were happy at work in the kitchen.

Dinner was sumpin' scrumptious. There was more than half again as many could eat, but there were no more appetites after the final nibbles.

Nightfall found the whole lot ready to go back to their homes, but not until after the site of next year's party had been selected and suggestions for improvements—had been made. All knew the next year would be even bigger, better and more fun. — C. M.

Christmas Rose Brightens Winter Gardens In Homes

If the gardener actually cares for quality plants he should indulge in three or more Christmas Roses, delightful plants which are in bloom now. The Christmas rose, helleborus niger altifolius, a native of southern Europe and western Asia, begins to bloom about the first of November and continues throughout the winter when the air is warm and the soil is not frozen hard.

Strange to relate, the Christmas Rose is not a rose but a member of the buttercup family which includes such worthwhile perennials as the anemone, hepatica, clematis and monkshood. It has excellent bright-colored, divided foliage and large, attractive white flowers with prominent yellow stamens resembling wild roses, thus explaining in part the name.

The flowers, often three inches across and on eight to 10-inch stems, last surprisingly well when cut. Outdoors the plants will flower off and on for the next six to eight weeks. However, we do not use their foliage, cutting instead that of the pachysandra which it closely resembles.

At present our plants are full of buds with a scattering in partial bloom. For best results Christmas Roses should be placed where they can be observed from a commonly used window or house entrance.

A nurseryman specializing in Christmas Roses says that a moist and sheltered position is best. As for culture, the Christmas Rose is not hard to please. Like most broad-leaved evergreens, it does not like hot afternoon sun in summer nor searing wind in winter.

An east or north exposure in average, ear neutral, good garden soil is fine. Mix a little superphosphate witn the soil when you transplant, and transplant in fall.

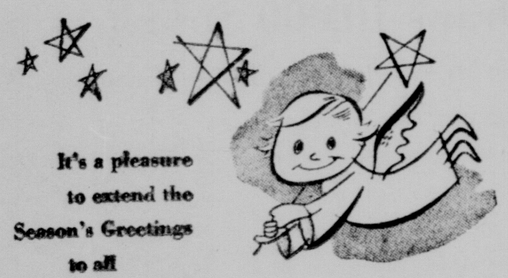
Christmas roses bloom throughout the winter when air turns warmer and soil is not frozen.

Mulch after planting with peat moss.

Although it likes plentiful moisture while growing—in spring when leaves are made and in fall when flowers and new roots appear—it is absolutely essential to select a spot with good drainage. Nor should one over-water during the summer when the plant is dormant and resting. Do not cultivate and cut off the spreading rootstalks.

Manure water or commercial fertilizer in solution can be used when fertilizing is necessary. When you have selected the proper site and the plants are doing well, leave them alone and each year they will become more and more beautiful.

Someone wrote last year of a seven-year-old plant that had 250 blossoms. What a dividend from one plant that expects so little from us in return! When much of Nature goes to sleep in the fall, we can indeed take heart and be greatly cheered by the flowers of the Christmas Rose.



It's a pleasure to extend the Season's Greetings to all

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTY SHOP

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Christmas

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May each of you receive many fold blessings during the Christmas season.

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"Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people."

Greetings of the season

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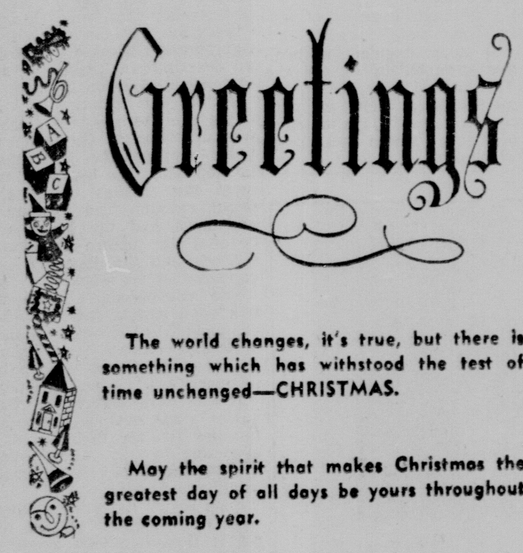

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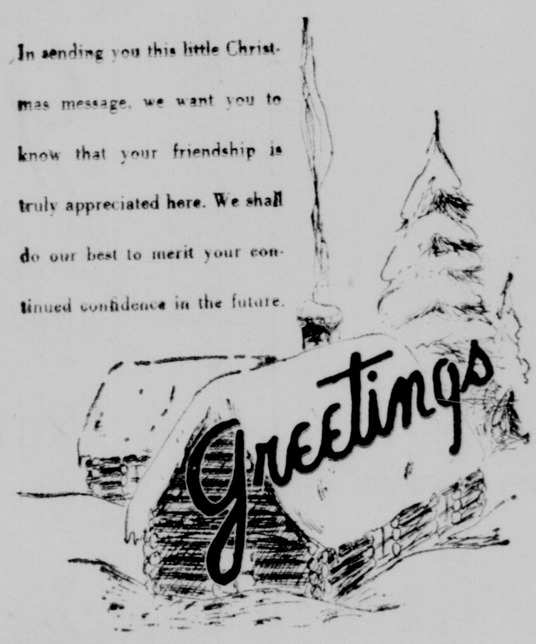

MANY PEOPLES, ONE GOD—Men and women of many nations pause for a moment in the midst of war to re-create in spirit the scene which first occurred in a stable at Bethlehem nearly two centuries ago. Before a Buddhist temple in war- torn Korea the Nativity is portrayed by, left to right, front row: Charles L. Baumgartner, USMC, South Bend, Ind.; Pvt. Suraj Parsad, India; Lt. Mary A. Daly, ANC, Drexel Hill, Pa.; the Infant is Margarita Lee, of Korea; Cpl. Frank Waalton, England, and Cpl. Donald J. Fister, Lexington, Ky. Rear row, from left: Pfc. Pak Chin Hong, KSC, Korea; Cpl. Charles P. Conway, MP, Jamaica Plain, Mass.; Sgt. Jean Bourdeau, Canada; Yuo Chin Chur and Lee Ok Sun, Korea, and Geoff L. Brissen, Australia.

Christmas Customs In Missouri

By Mrs. Gilbert V. Jones
An Address Prepared For Sedalia Garden Clubs

Christmas Customs in Missouri are the customs of all the other states and foreign countries which the people brought with them when they came here to make their home. To know and understand these customs, we must consider the national and historical backgrounds of these various peoples who are Missourians.

There are the German immigrants who settled Washington, Bethel, Hermann, Dutzow, New Hamburg, Altenburg, Westphalia; the French at St. Genevieve, St. Louis, Old Mines; Bohemians at Hawk Point; the Belgians at Taos; the Irish at Vienna; the Italians at Rosati; the Anglo - Saxons in the Ozarks. Missourians all are the Ozark hillman with his rabbit gun, the open country farmer, the prosperous cotton farmer, the subsistence share cropper with his stair step family, the drawling sawmill hand, the scientific orchardist, the lead miner, the hustling small town merchant, the Kansas City business man, the St. Louis industrialist, the smiling filling station attendant, the silent river man living in a shanty boat. Most of them say "neether", some say "nuther", and a few fashionables say "nyther".

These people keep their heritage in many ways: in play - party games, candy pulling, pie socials, box suppers and wiener roasts; in barn dances with fiddlers sawing away in the lamp light, in home comings, and family reunions. They bring their products to the County Fair. They fill cathedrals and fashionable churches in the cities, and village meeting houses. They go to revivals and Sunday schools and picnics and prayer meetings. Now there are neon lighted movie houses in practically all communities, but showboats still are playing "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse". Fourth of July at Edgar Springs brings "speakin" and hog - calling contests; at the yearly "singing" at Cedar Gap, folks come down from the hills with well filled baskets of food to sing the hymns of their fathers all a June day.

Of no single region can it be said "This is Missouri, for the comfortable, homely ways and the memories of half a dozen national strains live in its lore and its customs. "Before the War" memories linger in the open country of northern and western Missouri. The manners and traditions of medieval England survive in the hills of Southern Missouri. Between these areas the languages and fashions brought from Germany and France a century and a half ago still exist in the placid small towns along the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers.

The name of our state may be "Missouri" to outsiders, but here it is "Mizzoura". Our speech has been influenced greatly by a compound of corruptions and inflections borrowed from the different national strains that make up the population of the state. In Old Mines, St. Genevieve and other French settlements of Southeastern Missouri, perhaps eighty-five per cent of the residents speak a Creola dialect, basically French of the eighteenth century, with a mixture of Spanish, English and Indian; German, often archaic in form, is primarily the language of Hermann and other river towns.

The French and German populations have given much to the folklore of the state. Story tellers of Old Mines are especially fond of medieval French animal stories and tales of magic. Old World culture lingers in more than tales, however, in various spots over the state. At both Florissant and St. Genevieve, the host is borne through the streets in a solemn and colorful ceremony at Corpus Christi in June, and Christmas is celebrated with firecrackers in the "Bootheel". On New Year's Eve at Old Mines and St. Genevieve masked revelers make the rounds of homes and business places, singing "La Guignolee' ", a song that is centuries old.

The heart of St. Genevieve is Du Bourg place, the public square, shady and informal, dominated by its massive red brick church and small courthouse rather than commercial structures. This, with its very old homes and business houses gives reality to the French tradition that forms so much of Missouri's background. Some of the residences are the Creole upright logs, most of them now weather-boarded over. These were erected during the Spanish regime. Its festivals are perhaps the best index of its life and manners. On New Year's Eve, masked revellers, dressed as Indians or blacked as Negroes, go from house to house, accompanied by a fiddler and singing "La Guignolee' " an ancient French song with unwritten music and traditional words. At one time it was sung to solicit food and drink for the King's ball which was held on Twelfth Night; however, today the masked revellers demand only wine.

Washington is a tranquil Berman community on the Missouri River with a distinct Old World flavor, its narrow streets traversing the hillsides which rise abruptly from the river bank. The red brick houses are built flush with the sidewalk, and their white trim and green shutters, their simple brick-work cornices and good proportions make them noteworthy. German is often spoken on the streets. Many of the German customs survive. On Christmas eve many old families serve herring salad, a concoction of chicken, herring, beets, apples, eggs, pickles, onions, nuts and spices. The one who eats of this dish will never be in want.

Taos, which now has a population of about seventy - five, was settled by a Belgian missionary in 1838. Partially through the generosity of his mother, the Countess of Lens, he built a stone church here. His grave can be seen now, with its tall marble shaft, inscribed simply in Latin. In 1847, largely through the efforts of Father Helias, a band of fifty Belgians settled in Taos. They were trained craftsmen and contributed greatly to the prosperity of the community. Their descendants make up a large part of the present population and have preserved many of their old religious customs not generally found in other parts of the State. On the afternoon of November first, which is All Saints' Day and the eve of All Souls' Day, a procession, headed by a cross bearer and acolytes, wends down the winding road to the cemeteries, where the graves are blessed by the priest. On December sixth, the Feast of St. Nicholas, a member of the congregation dresses as St. Nicholas, with Bishop's mitre, cope and staff, and accompanied by a costumed retinue, goes from house to house, asking parents how their children have behaved during the past year, and distributing candy, fruit and nuts. On Christmas Day, after early Mass, pistols, guns and firecrackers are shot off in the churchyard.

The oldest lead and zinc mining town in southwestern Missouri is Granby, in the vicinity of Monett. A Cornish miner, Wm. Foster, discovered lead here in 1853, and two years later a stampede began. More than three thousand miners, gamblers, land speculators, and smelter operators swarmed into the town. Christmas Eve was celebrated with firecrackers and pranks. There were very few Christmas trees in the homes, for the gifts were distributed from the church tree. They tell of one miner who struck a rich vein shortly before Christmas and needed two wagons to haul home the gifts for his family.

A German community in the vicinity of Cape Girardeau is New Hamburg, with its dominating St. Lawrence Church. In the closely packed frame houses dwell the descendants of the German immigrants who settled here in 1846. Until comparatively recent date, because of their isolation, they have remained a racial, religious and economic unit. On New Year's Eve masked revellers in fancy dress go from house to house singing old German songs and being invited inside for wine and cakes.

At Jackson, in the bootheel, the Christmas Holidays are celebrated with firecrackers, which, I'm told, are called "Christmas Crackers". Here is an entertaining sidelight which has nothing to do with Christmas.: Near Jackson is Bethel Baptist church, established in 1806, the mother of all Baptist churches west of the Mississippi River. It is recorded that on Nov. 9th, 1816, a resolution was passed that "Sister Hannah Edwards was allowed to wear gold earrings for the benefit of her eyes".

People of French descent have lived in Old Mines for nearly a hundred and fifty years. Almost isolated from the main current of American life, they have remained a unit in nationality, religion, and social and economic practices. Perhaps ninety per cent of them speak a French dialect, with the addition

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Holiday Greetings

....and Best Wishes for a Successful New Year!

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Season's Greetings

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Christmas

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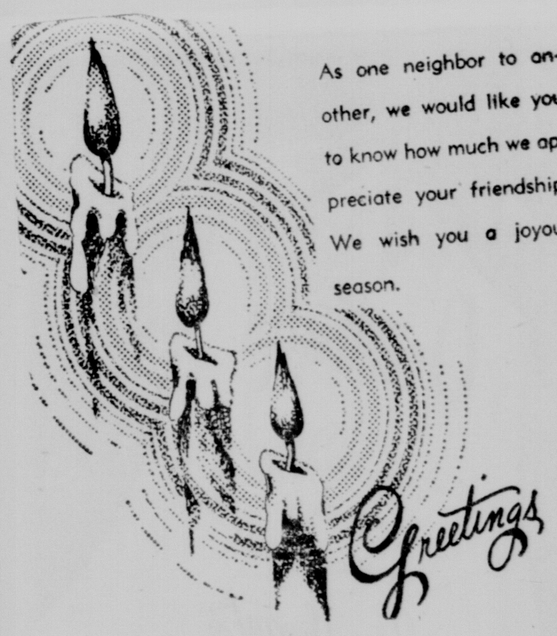

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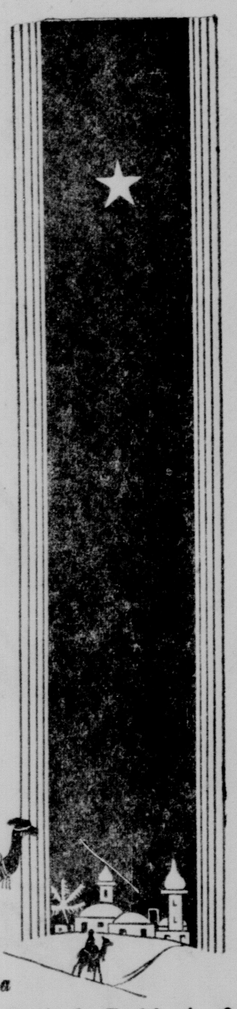
Joy for evermore



Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will toward men.
LUKE 2:14

We wish you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS

STATE FAIR FLORAL CO.
and Employees
316 South Ohio Phone 1700

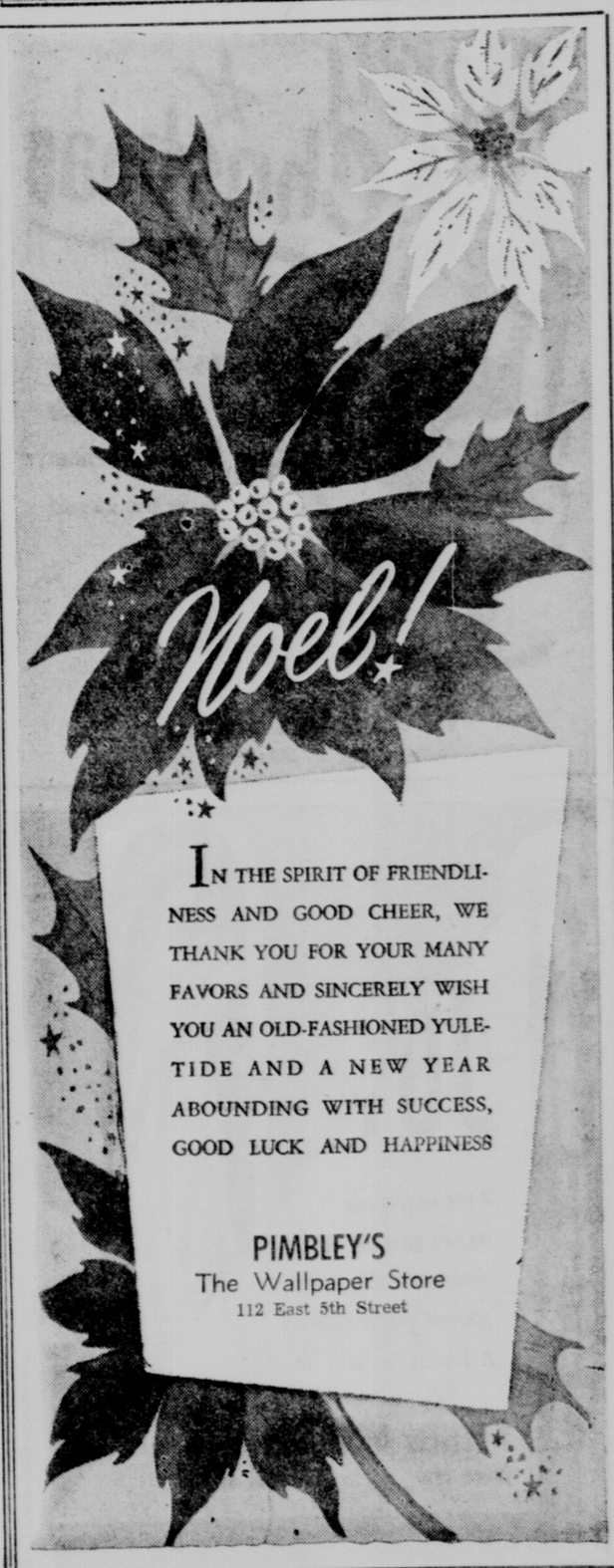
Season's Greetings

THE HAUSAM COMPANY
200 West 4th Street
Sedalia

A JOYFUL SEASON

The remembrance of friends is one of the outstanding joys of Christmas. No wonder then, that we get such pleasure in the approach of the Holiday season, with its all-pervading spirit of friendship and good will. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Greetings From All of Us at
Firestone
213 South Ohio Phone 123



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PIMBLEY'S
The Wallpaper Store
112 East 5th Street

Christmas Customs In Missouri

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of some Spanish, American and a few African words. The main occupation of the modern Creole here is the digging of tiff, which he obtains from a shallow pit. His wife and children help him, and often enough ore is dug the first part of the week to bring in a meager income and the miner can spend the latter part of the week hunting or fishing or just sitting on his gallerie. French ballads and folk tales are popular, especially on Holidays. On New Year's Eve the young people stroll about the village, stopping at the home of friends, and singing "La Guignolee' ". The host usually serves cookies and wine, but if he has nothing to serve, his daughter must dance with the visitors. The descendants of the original fifteen French families who settled here in 1802 are living n the community today.

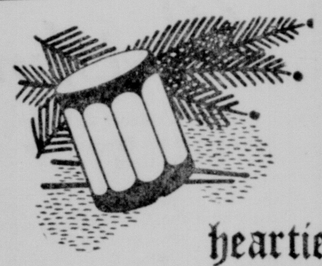
In the matter of courting, the hillman may do a little "tomcattin' " around, but when he "sets-up" to a girl, he generally intends to marry her. After that, if she is seen talking to another man, she invites disrepute, or even bloodshed. For a boy and a girl to attend church together is tantamount to announcing the engagement. Sometimes the boy and girl sit up all night together in the cabin of the girl's parents, with the parents asleep in the same room.

Vance Randolph, author of a number of books on the Ozarks, has lived amongst the Ozarkians and been close friend to some real old timers. He tells us that there are many old people there who still speak of "New Christmas" and "Old Christmas", the latter being celebrated on the sixth of January. There are many children in the Ozarks who have never heard of Santa Claus, and have only a vague notion of the Christ story, but they all know that cattle kneel and bellow at midnight on the eve of "Old Christmas". This belief in two Christmases puzzled Mr. Randolph until he remembered that all christendom celebrated the birth of Christ on January sixth until the institution of the Gregorian calendar, which was not adopted by England and her colonies until the middle of the eighteenth century. By that time the hillman's ancestors were so deeply settled in the American wilderness that they paid scant attention to the new fangled notions of the mother country, so that within the memory of many men now living, the Ozarkers had their Christmas regularly on January sixth, just as Chaucer and Shakespeare had.

In the old days the merchants of an Ozark village donated a quantity of gun powder and on Christmas Eve the blacksmith fired anvils with a terrific racket until midnight. Then a group of serenaders started out, firing pistols, blowing horns, beating tin pans, ringing cow bells and so on. When they came to a house they marched around it several times, singing and yelling and making as much noise as possible. Then they were invited in by the occupants and served apples or cake, washed down with whiskey or whatever liquor they had. One favorite Christmas beverage was "stew", a mixture of whiskey, ginger and hot water. It was very bad form for revellers to miss a single cabin, although some of the people were so poor that they could not "set up" more than a few walnuts, or perhaps a little tobacco, or a handful of dried fruit. Only a very unpopular house was ever overlooked, and a family which was not visited on Christmas morning had no social standing whatever.

There are many men still living in the Ozarks who swear that they have atually witnessed the strange ceremony of the cattle kneeling on the eve of "Old Christmas". A neighbor told Mr. Randolph that when he was a boy he watched repeatedly to see his father's oxen kneel, but was always disappointed. His parents told him, however that the presene of a human broke the spell, — the cattle must always worship the Saviour in private. "But I jes' drawed a idy right thar", he added thoughtfully, "thet they warn't nothin' to it, nohow".

Sources: "Missouri," by Missouri Writers' Project; "Ozark Mountain Folk" by Vance Randolph and "The Ozarks: An Amerian Survival of a Primitive Society," by Vance Randolph.



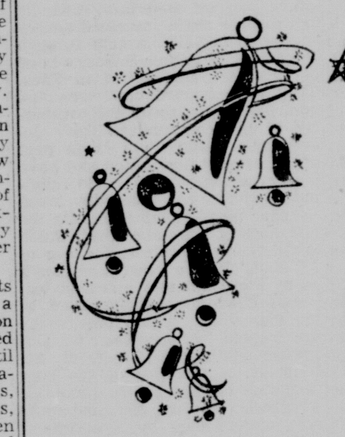
Season's heartiest cheer...

KEN WILLIAMS
IGA CASH FOOD MARKET
501 South Engineer Phone 343

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

Let us stand again with the wise men, in eager wonder beside the manger ...to witness the great joy in His presence and His divine love for all.

SEDALIA MONUMENT WORKS
2200 East Broadway



Christmas cheer is in the air— May its joys stay with you always!

REID'S GROCERY
1633 East Fourth St.
Phone 105

Season's Greetings

To our many friends we extend our heartiest wishes for all the joys and blessings of this, the happiest season of the year.

ROUTSZONG MOTOR CO.
225 South Kentucky Sedalia Phone 397

NOEL

A warm and friendly wish for your Merry Christmas!

FRED HILDEBRANDT
ROYAL HOTEL
Sedalia

Season's Greetings

The Christmas greetings we send to you, hold every good wish for a Joyous Holiday Season.

ROYAL CROWN BOTTLING CO.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Kline and Employees

MERRY CHRISTMAS

SEDALIA CLEANERS
BOB MOORE and EMPLOYEES
413 South Lamine St. Phone 469

Joyous greetings

WALTER'S DRIVE-IN MARKET
300 East Boonville Phone 284

NOEL

May the joyous spirit of Christmas light your future, and bring you the many blessings of friendship to illuminate this happy season.

JENKINS - GREER
MOTOR COMPANY
218 South Osage

Merry Christmas

We're painting the town with our bright and gay Christmas Wishes to our friends!

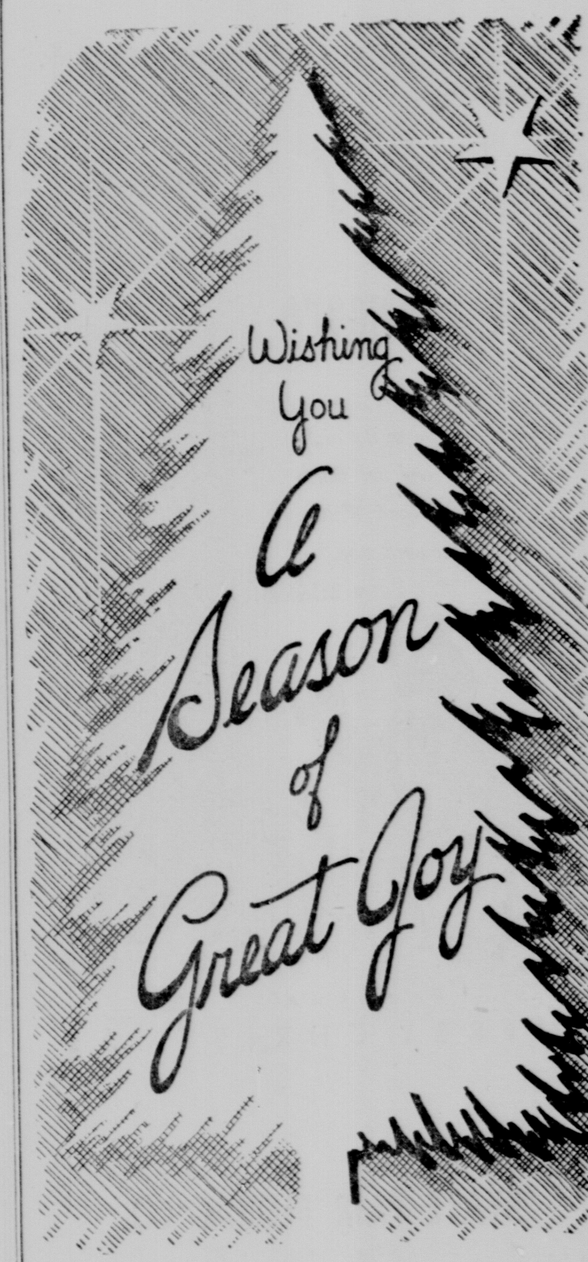
NAGEL'S TIRE SERVICE
508 W. MAIN

Greetings

The bells are ringing out our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas!

Goodheart's JEWELERS
225 So. Ohio

A Merry Christmas! FROM THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY



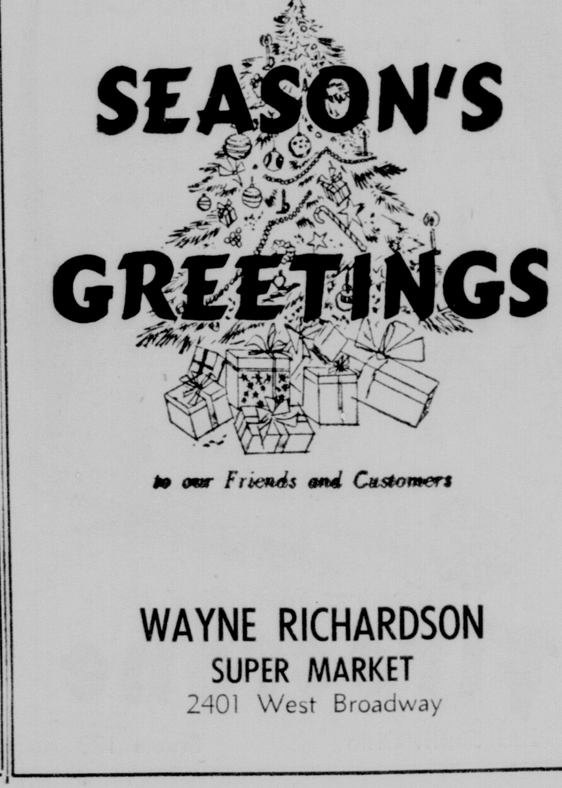
Wishing You A Season of Great Joy

TAYSTEE
BREAD COMPANY
Sedalia, Mo.

JOY

While we give and receive gifts, let us always remember God's greatest gift to mankind. A Joyous Holiday to all.

HEYNEN MONUMENT CO.
Since 1879 301 East 3rd St.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

to our Friends and Customers

WAYNE RICHARDSON
SUPER MARKET
2401 West Broadway

Oklahoma Man Remembers 'Kids' Of The Prisoners

By MARIAN ROGERS
NEA Special Correspondent

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Dan Vinson runs a Christmas shopping service for the strangest clientele in the world — murderers, thieves and dope peddlers — and because of them he pays the freight on a million gifts each year.

The Oklahoma City contractor ships carloads of toys and clothing to the children of convicts in both North and South America. Beginning in December, one freight car after another rolls out of the Oklahoma City train yards, bulging with gifts for the "forgotten" children of men who broke society's laws and were locked up.

Vinson provides the freight cars, supervises the gigantic job of making the toys and often pays personal visits to penitentiary death houses so that a murderer who won't be around at Christmas time can get in his order.

He turns Oklahoma City inside out, looking for scrap metal that can be turned into toy airplanes, automobiles and other mechanical gadgets. He solicits gifts of clothing, discarded dolls, has-been tricycles and other dilapidated toys that are headed for the scrap heap.

From his toy stockpile, Vinson gets enough playthings to fill the Christmas orders that pour in from nearly every penitentiary in the Western hemisphere. Last year he sent a million presents to the children of convicted felons. This Christmas Vinson expects to surpass that mark.

Making Christmas happier for such youngsters is a crusade to Vinson. He's a bit gruff about the fate of the unlucky offspring of America's criminal population.

"These kids don't deserve to be cheated out of Christmas," he tells everyone. "They have committed no crime."

Any prisoner in the Western hemisphere can get on the mailing list by writing Vinson in Oklahoma City. Some of America's most vicious criminals have done so. Men who are serving life sentences for murder, bank robbery, sex crimes, selling dope and other crimes clamor for Vinson's unique personal shopping service.

The toys go directly to the penitentiary inmates. They in turn mail the packages to their children with a "Merry Christmas" from Dad.

DAN VINSON: "The kids don't deserve to be cheated . . ."

Vinson always has plenty of help with his Yuletide shopping. Hundreds of Oklahoma City residents join in. Volunteer workers from civic clubs, Boy Scouts, business firms and housewives work long hours repairing old toys and making new ones. Vinson himself puts in 18 to 20 hours daily in the last hectic days.

Nearly all the presents are made from material donated by businessmen and private citizens. Vinson never solicits money. When all the scrap material is gathered up, the volunteer helpers convert it into dolls, airplanes, cut-out books, trinkets, scarves and hundreds of other items.

The genial 65-year-old Vinson is a natural in his role. He was once an "underprivileged" child himself. Until he developed an asphalt concrete for roads, Vinson went broke two or three times. Now his contracting and royalties earn him an excellent income. Vinson puts several thousand dollars into his program each year, spreading his name and fame afar.

November and December are fantastically busy months for Vonson. His family almost never sees him. Employes at his company nearly forget what the man looks like because he spends the last two months directing the program. Running the biggest one - man Christmas delivery service in the world is a full-time job.

One of Most Popular Card Artists Remembers Grandma

By DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

Dorothy Simmons remembers Christmas at grandmother's house, the jingle of sleighbells in the snow, the garlands of pine and holly in the great Victorian hall, the spicy odors of mince pies and fruit cake from the old-fashioned ovens, flames leaping in the old fireplace and, best of all, the wonderland of Christmas morning, with toys and packages piled high around the glittering Christmas tree.

All of these happy memories of the childhood wonder of Christmas she puts into her Christmas cards, which sell by the millions throughout the nation.

And that may be the reason that Dorothy Simmons is considered one of the foremost greeting card artists in the world today.

This dainty, sophisticated-looking little woman, with prematurely white hair and exquisite clothes, lives in an apartment in the heart of Manhattan, overlooking the East River and the glittering shops of 57th Street. She was born and raised in New York City, but the Christmas holidays of her childhood were spent at her grandmother's old-fashioned home in a tiny village in the Pocono Mountains. She says:

"I can close my eyes and see the sleigh and horses waiting at the little station, feel again the excitement of the jingling ride through the snow, see the lights in the old house as we drew near and hear the laughter in my grandmother's voice as she welcomed her family home."

Dorothy Simmons' most popular Christmas cards are her madonnas, which seem to have a special radiance. She says:

"I always read the Bible story of the birth of Christ before I start to paint a madonna card. I remember that the madonna was very young, and that she loved her baby."

The trend in Christmas cards today is toward the old-fashioned card with real Christmas sentiment, says Dorothy. She adds:

"The era of the flippant angel is out. Nowadays people seem to want cards that express the traditional feeling of Christmas. At first my cards used to be purely decorative and sophisticated. Now I try to combine old-fashioned sentiment with a modern treatment. And my cards always say 'Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.'"

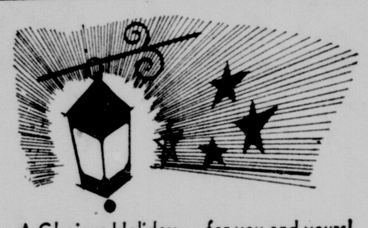
The best-sellers, year after year, are the madonna cards, says the artist. She started painting them years ago for her personal use, then did a few for friends, soon found herself in business.

Christmas On the Battle Front

From Civil War to Korean War

CHRISTMAS away from home—it's lonely, especially for the boys in the armed forces. This old Civil War print shows how Santa and his reindeer visited the front.

PEACE ON EARTH, Good Will Toward Men is not forgotten by the men fighting for this principle in Korea. Here they put up their own Christmas tree with all trimmings.



A Glorious Holiday — for you and yours!

DIXIE CARMEL CORN SHOP
707 South Ohio

Holiday WISHES

To all our friends we wish good cheer, not only for Christmas, but for all of the coming New Year.

HAWLEY'S SPORT SHOP
108 West 16th Street

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our sincere appreciation of the congenial friendships and pleasant associations comes to you with the Season's Greetings.

SULLIVAN MOTOR CO.
216 South Missouri
PHONE 4503

At Christmas

We at Walker's
Morris Walker—Dena Walker
Harold Walker—William Smith
Wish all of you a very Merry Holiday Season

Where Buying is Saving!
WALKER'S
CLOTHING SHOES FURNISHINGS
109 W. MAIN SEDALIA, MO.

Remembering You at Christmas

May all the joy of this happy Holiday Season be with you always.

U. S. INSULATION & ROOFING CO.
Curtis Schupbach
513 South Lamine

Season's Greetings

It's our sincerest wish that your Holiday Season may in every way be glad . . . abundant with good fellowship, good health and success in the coming New Year.

T. B. "BLUE" YOUNG
Sheet Metal Works
110 East Main Street

Season's Greetings

May the world rejoice again, in Peace on Earth Good-Will to Men.

SOLON'S GROCERY
116 East Third St.

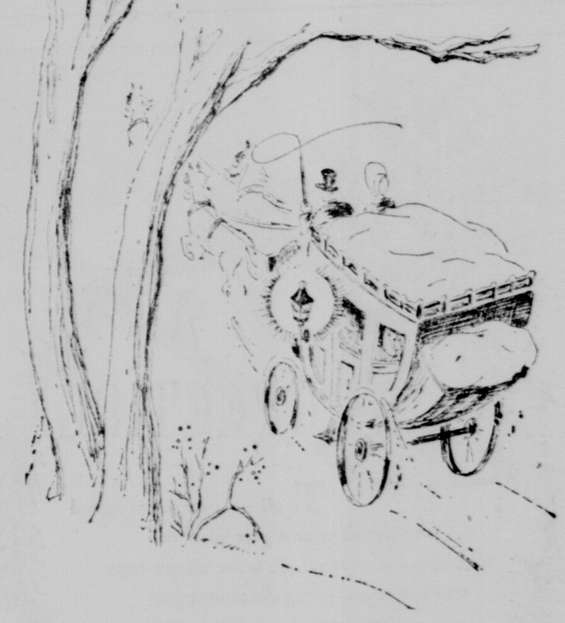
Christmas Greetings

KINDER AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE
110 South Lamine—Phone 218

Christmas Greetings

It's anybody's guess what the future has in store but the past, particularly the last year, leaves no need for guessing. For us it has been filled with pleasure in serving such swell folks as you . . .

Merry Christmas to You!



L & G
ELECTRIC COMPANY
Earl and Betty Lashley and Employees
119 East Third Street Phone 160

Greetings

May your Christmas glow with bright contentment and may the New Year reflect every joy this wish can bring.

WM. E. MILLER COAL CO.
618 East 5th St. Phone 345

Noel

Friendship . . . a precious possession the year 'round is especially appreciated at Christmastime. To our many loyal friends we wish a Very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness.

HEUER'S SHOE STORE
205 S. Ohio Phone 386

Season's Greetings

May your Holiday Season be filled to the overflowing with surprises as joyous and welcome as the findings in a Christmas package.

PIRTLE-EVANS MARKET
118 E. Main Phone 656

A Merry CHRISTMAS

HURLBUT PRINTING COMPANY
114 East 5th Street

Christmas GREETINGS

ARNOLD'S MARKET
1401 East 4th St. Phone 356

Season's Best Greetings

QUEEN CITY SHOE SHOP
J. L. Imhauser 117 South Ohio

Best Wishes

The best part of Christmas, we believe, is the good wishes extended... and the good wishes received. And so, in all sincerity, we send to all our friends our best wishes for a cheerful Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Emery and Mildred Bowman

BOWMAN'S
SINCE 1930
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608 So. Ohio Phone 77

happy holidays

IMPERIAL
Service Station

HIGHWAY 50, EAST CITY LIMITS SEDALIA, MO.

MERRY Christmas

Our wish to you this CHRISTMAS DAY is tinsel-bright, holly-gay!

Mr. & Mrs. Lyman C. Keuper
THE WHEEL INN
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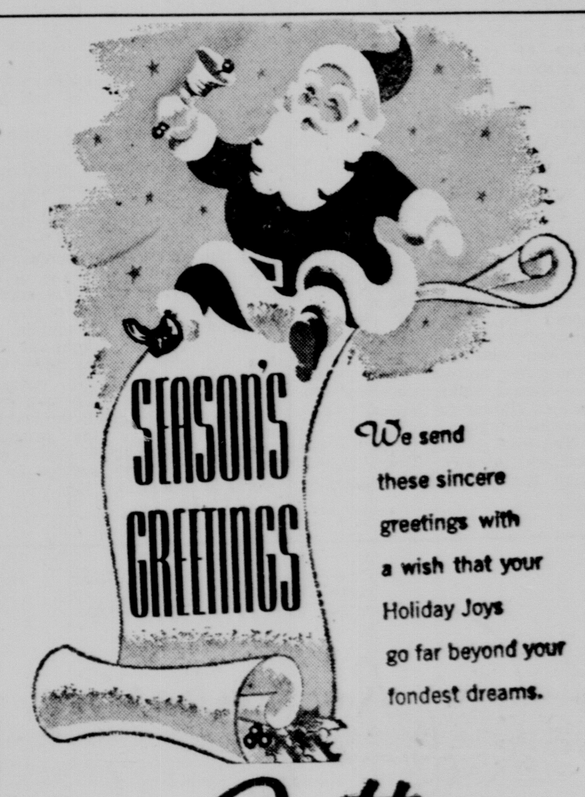
Christmas Greetings

May the wondrous joy of Christmas remain with you all twelve months of the year.

S. S. KRESGE
306 S. Ohio Phone 488



SEASON'S GREETINGS

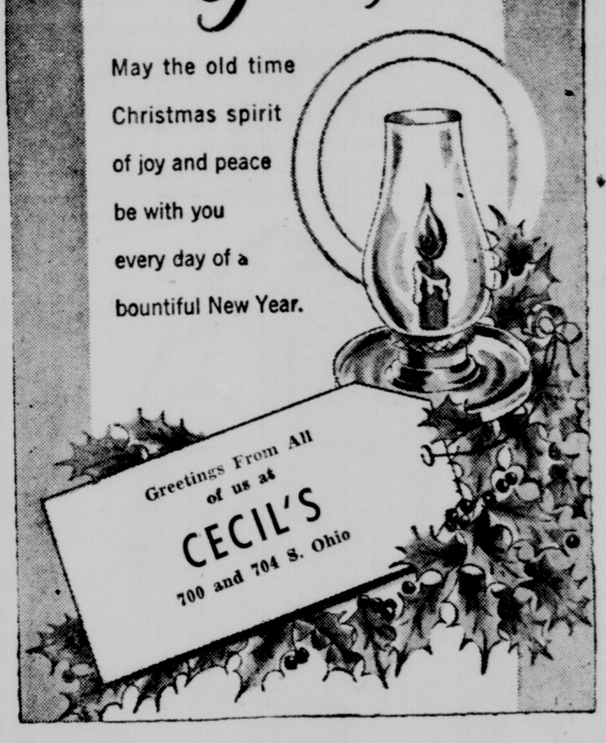
We send these sincere greetings with a wish that your Holiday Joys go far beyond your fondest dreams.

Potts
Building Supply
420 W. 16th Phone 396

Christmas Greetings

May the old time Christmas spirit of joy and peace be with you every day of a bountiful New Year.

Greetings From All of us at
CECIL'S
700 and 704 S. Ohio



THE Season's Greetings

The very best of Holiday Wishes to all our friends, extended in warm appreciation of your good will and patronage.

JOLLY'S
Welding and Radiator Shop
508 W. 2nd
Phone 544

ONCE again the festive Christmas Season awakens in us the gladsome spirit of joyous living. So, we greet you on this grand and happy occasion.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BILL LYLES
GRAND CLEANERS
Main and Grand
PHONE 5013

Greetings

from
ADCO, INC.
Sedalia, Mo.

A GREETING

To all our patrons we extend our thanks...for a year filled with friendship and goodwill. It is our sincere hope that our ways—during the coming year —may once more follow similar paths. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

SEDALIA TRADING CO.
114 East Second St.

Christmas Greetings

May good health and happiness provide the background for your Holiday.

COOK'S PAINTS
"Best for Wear and Weather"
416 South Ohio Phone 108

Greetings

With our sincere good wishes for a Holiday full of happiness and joy!

Connor-Wagoner
414 South Ohio

There Was Another Window

By Peter Potter
A Member of The
Democrat News Staff

Pots and pans clattered in the kitchen while he wrestled with the tree. Men are supposed to be natural-born carpenters, or so they say, and his wife had left him to struggle amid his tools while she washed the supper dishes.

Ex-Pfc. Ben Norman had had plenty of opportunity to learn the use of a hammer and saw in erecting squad tents and Quonset huts, but no one had warned him about Christmas trees. The end product was fairly vertical but wobbly, and there was no predicting what the weight of decorations would do to it.

Still Ben clucked his tongue and decided he'd done enough. The season's preparations were fast getting under his skin, and if the tree wouldn't stand up, then let it fall. Another pan clattered in the kitchen.

Christmas music blared through the window. Ben moved over to where he could see the loudspeaker car go by slowly. As it turned the corner, the phonograph slowed and the notes dipped in a sour chorus.

"Doesn't look like Christmas outside," Ben mused to himself, watching the car's tail light blink out of sight. He scanned the dark rooftops and fuzzy backyards of the neighborhood. "Marvelous atmosphere," he grunted.

As he continued to look, an idea tickled and teased his mind and he frowned down at his shoes to concentrate. The crepe soles needed cleaning, he noticed. A lot more comfortable than army boots, though.

Army. That was it. Somewhere during his service he had stood like this before, looking out of a window and wondering about Christmas. Where was it?

As he peered through the panes and groped for the past, a change took place outside the window. The dark rooftops settled closer to the ground, and the walls shrunk together. The lights faded out. The trees evaporated. The miles sped by, thousands of them — away, away.

It was a jumble of mud huts with thatched roofs that he saw now. That's all there was to see except for the wire fence that surrounded the dispensary and which was patrolled by a Korean guard. If he slid the window to one side, the way all Oriental windows open, he could hear occasional gutteral voices from the direction of the huts.

"When did you say the doc was coming in?" asked a soldier seated on a bench behind him.

"In a few minutes," Ben answered, turning around to face him. The other man shifted on the bench and touched his fingers to the cut above his eye. Ben had already stopped the bleeding and cleaned it. Now they were waiting for the lieutenant to arrive to stitch it.

"Don't fool with it or you'll open it up again," Ben said. The man put his hand down. Just then the lieutenant entered and Ben signaled the soldier to follow him into the treatment room.

"Had a hard time reaching you, Lieutenant," said Ben. "Messages won't stick in foggy heads, I guess."

"I was over at the engineers' club," answered the officer. "They're really going to town there tonight."

"That's the reason I'm working here tonight," Ben said with a grin. "I don't mind the extra work for the sake of peace and quiet. That's my idea of a good Christmas Eve."

The stitching was done quickly, the soldier and the lieutenant left and Ben cleaned up the treatment room. Then he walked back to the reception desk.

Lee was waiting for him there, his face one big smile. Lee always looked half - asleep because his Oriental lids covered so much of his eyes, but he was the most alert of the dispensary's three Korean houseboys. And he was Ben's little friend.

"Hi, Lee," Ben greeted him. "How come you no sleep?"

"Too much yabba-yabba," Lee answered, referring to the noise from the club. "No can do."

"Today Number One day for GI," Ben explained.

"I dingee maybe Number Ten," said the houseboy, making a face of displeasure. "No can sleep." He yawned.

Ben grinned. He looked at his watch and saw it was nearly midnight. "Go to bed, Lee-san," he said. "All GI's go to bed now. No more noise."

"G'night, honcho," said Lee with another smile, and he left. To him Ben was always the "honcho," the boss man.

"G'night."

Ben went over to the window again and looked out. You'd never know it was Christmas Eve, he told himself. Not a Christmas light, not a carol, not a wreath, not even a sign of life because the huts were closed up tight for the cold night.

Some Christmas, he thought. How could you have Christmas in a place where they'd never even heard of it? The only thing little Lee knew was that the GI's made a lot of noise that night if they could get hold of a few cans and bottles of the right stuff.

Anyhow, these people didn't have anything to be happy about, he decided. Homes demolished, rags for clothes, kids without homes and sleeping in the streets, grubbing for food — every day another attempt to keep alive. Nothing joyful or brotherly about that.

Christmas must be what someone makes it, he thought. Nothing more or less. Lee wouldn't ever think of it as anything more than a word or a noise.

He turned from the window and made up his cot next to the potbelly stove. As he pulled off his boots, socks and fatigues, he wished all of a sudden he could be home to celebrate Christmas the right way. It took him a while to fall asleep, and he thought of home until he did . . .

"Well, you got the tree up, I see," said his wife brightly. "Are you ready to decorate it? I'm all finished with the dishes, so I can help you."

Ben walked from the window to where his tools were dumped on the living room rug. "No," he said, picking up his hammer. "The stand is too wobbly. It's got to be perfect."

This Holiday Greeting Is Extended by the Entire Staff and Management of

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TO express our appreciation of long-established friendship is our greatest privilege at Christmas.

We take pleasure in wishing you, our many loyal customers, all the happiness you have brought to us through the years. May your holiday be a **merry one,** laden with the blessings of the season.

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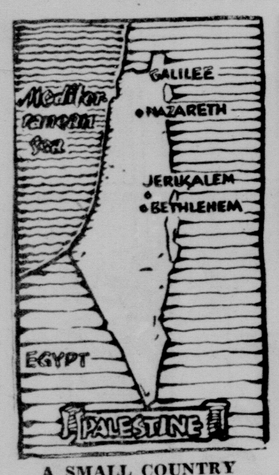
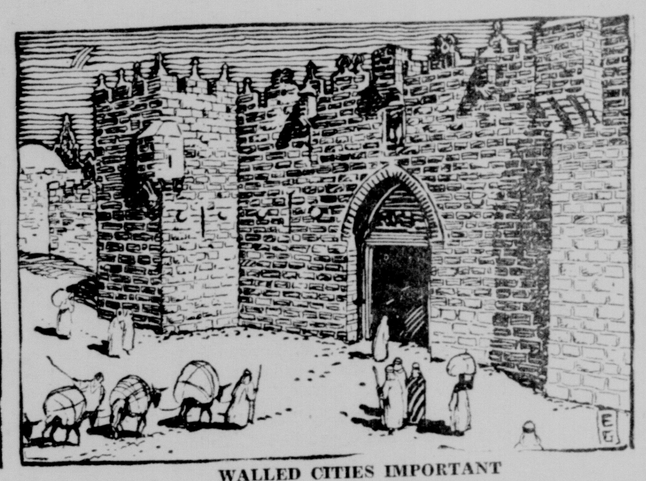
TRAINED AND COURTEOUS PEOPLE WAITING TO SERVE YOU AT THOMPSON - O'CONNOR'S

BEHIND THE CHRISTMAS STORY—1.



A SMALL COUNTRY

FARMS IN THE PLAINS



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AP Newsfeatures

Palestine, the land in which the Christmas story takes place, is a little country. It is 150 miles long from north to south and 25 to 80 miles broad.

To the west is the Mediterranean. To the east the River Jordan and the Dead Sea from part of a great rift in the earth's surface. This fissure runs from far north in Russia to the great African lakes that are sources of the Nile.

Much of Palestine is a rocky plateau. But there are fertile plains on the coast which make it part of the Near East center of ancient civilizations which has been called the "fertile crescent."

The land dips far below sea level at the Dead Sea and becomes barren desert. On the plateau too are less fertile areas where there is grazing for sheep.

Lying between the great empires of the ancient world, Palestine was a meeting place. Its people prospered from trade routes and built cities. In them, not only the goods, but the ideas of all the world met and were exchanged. And across them conquering armies passed.

NO man has come to true greatness who has not felt in some degree that his life belongs to the race.

—Phillips Brooks.

Merry Christmas

FRIENDS

K. C. AUTO SALVAGE
BOB WILLIAMS
420 W. 2nd St.

In this Happy Holiday Season, we want to express sincere thanks for your past patronage and wish you and yours a most bountiful Christmas.

DORN-CLONEY
LAUNDRY & DRY CLEANING CO.
Third and Lamine Phone 126

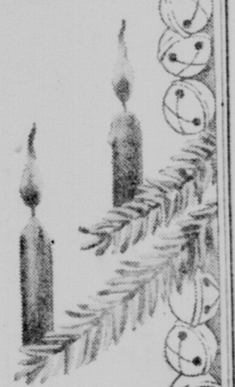
HANDLEY WINDOW CO.
119 South Osage Phone 224

It's our personal wish for you and yours to know a joyous Christmas

M. J. RESSEL & SONS
Formerly Baughman Sales Co.
817 East Third St. Phone 558

Season's Greetings

Our good wishes are meant not for just Christmas, but for the whole year ahead.



HARRY DOBEL
INSURANCE
108 E. 5th St.

MAY you enjoy a Christmas rich with Joy, Peace and Good Friends.

Merry Christmas

BRYAN & BATTLES AWNING CO.
216 South Lamine St. Phone 481

Merry Christmas
to our friends and patrons!

SHOEMAKER'S SKELLY SERVICE STATION
1717 W. Broadway Phone 363

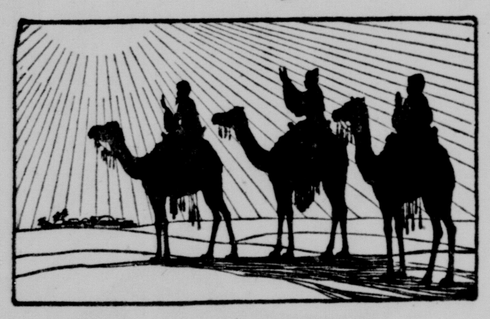
Christmas Greetings
to all our friends and patrons!

WATKIN'S
HEATING AND PLUMBING CO.
210 East 2nd St. Phone 87

At this Christmas Season
May you
be blessed with
every happiness

CHAS. HOLMES & SON
CLEANERS
113 East Main St. Phone 868

It's the Old, Old Story . . .



The journey of the three Wise Men
to bring gifts
to the new born King
is familiar to each of us,
a story as fascinating and thrilling now
as when it was first related.
And just as thrilling to us
is the opportunity we have
each Yuletide
to wish our friends,

Merry Christmas

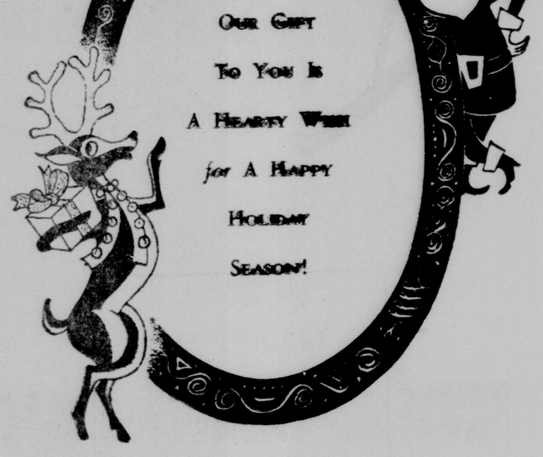
DIXIE KITCHEN
FOOD PRODUCTS
and Employees
Main and Prospect, Sedalia

Season's Greetings

In extending our sincerest greetings to our friends at this time we find an ever deeper meaning in the spirit of Christmas. For it is the furthering of friendship and brotherhood with others that brings to us the true joy of living...

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

A. A. FARRELL and EMPLOYEES
SEDALIA PACKING COMPANY
700 W. Main, Sedalia Distributors of Griesedieck Bros. Light Lager Beer



Mr. and Mrs. Dave Elliott and Employees
Elliott's
Your Jeweler Since 1923
216 So. Ohio

HOPES FOR A PROMISED LAND

WAR STRIKES THEIR LAND AGAIN AND AGAIN

A DIVIDED RED SEA

AP Newsfeatures

The Jews seem to have entered Palestine at an early date. They may have been nomad tribesmen living with their flocks on the edge of the desert. But Abraham, the traditional ancestor, is believed to have come from Ur of the Chaldees.

Anthropologists dispute about their racial character. Some see remarkably persistent racial traits throughout their history. Others see them as a mixture of all the many diverse types of men who traded and fought over Palestine. This school feels there is no racial unity among the Jews.

When the great ancient empires were weak or indifferent, the Jews built a high civilization in their little country. But war struck again and again.

The Old Testament, which is in part a history of the Jews, records one captivity in Egypt. They were led out by Moses and Aaron through a divided Red Sea.

Later there was another captivity in Babylon. With so many diverse contacts with so many different languages, it is no accident they cherished the story of the tower of Babel.

Merry Christmas

The best wish of all is for your Merry Christmas.

OMER WILLIAMS
C. W. WILLIAMS
SOUTH SIDE MARKET
1603 South Ingram

Happy Holiday

May all the joys of the Holiday be heaped on you and those you love. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

DEAL'S MARKET
520 W. 16th St. Phone 281

Here are our
BEST WISHES
for each of you.

DEMAND SHOE STORE
HAROLD NORTON, Prop.
105 West 5th St.
Under Safeway

We Wish Each of You
A VERY MERRY Christmas

GREER'S GROCERY
20th and Grand—Phone 80

Happy Christmas

To our many friends we wish all the pleasures that a joyous Holiday Season can bring.

AUBREY OWEN
GENERAL TIRE COMPANY
701 South Ohio

We say to you:
GOOD CHEER!

RALPH'S "66" SERVICE STATION
Northeast Corner of 7th and Ohio

Greetings

It is so heartwarming to remember at Christmastime, friends whose faith and loyalty have always meant so much to us! Along with our greetings we send you every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. W. WOOLWORTH
5c and 10c Store
224 South Ohio Phone 2506

I wish for You...

MERRY CHRISTMAS

YEAGER'S MARKET
1115 East 5th St.
PHONE 855

MERRY CHRISTMAS

THE GRIDDLE
110 East 5th St.
PHONE 3289

Season's Greetings

May the spirit of brotherhood that is the meaning of our Christmas spread its teachings of Peace and Good Will around the world.

EAST END DRUG STORE
503 S. Engineer Phone 541

Greetings

.... and all good wishes for the most wonderful holiday season you ever had!

BILL'S TAVERN
201 West Main St.

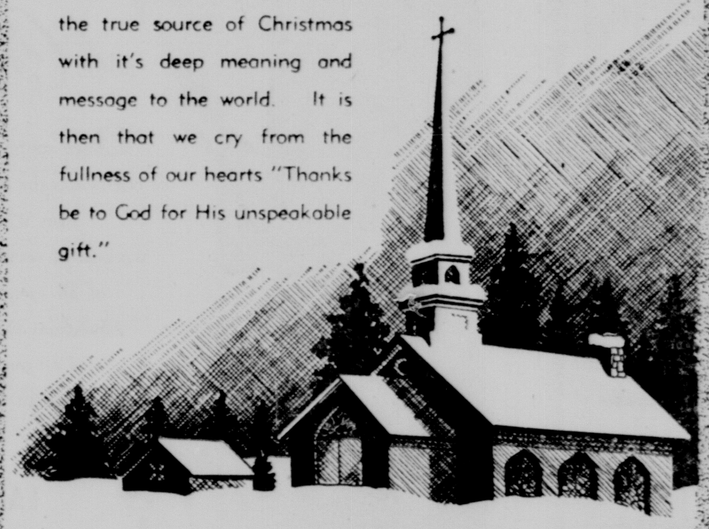
Sincerest wishes...

It is our privilege each year to express our warmest Christmas Greetings to those we are proud to call our friends and patrons. May we say once more that we have appreciated your confidence in the past and that we will never cease trying to make each new year rich in neighborliness and good will for you. To everyone we wish a Merry Christmas and a Bountiful New Year.

DUGAN'S
Serving Central Missouri Over 76 Years
116 East 5th St. Phone 142

Season's Greetings

TURNING to our church and its service, we sing the ancient and beautiful Christmas carols, hear once again the story of the Saviour's birth, follow the Shepherds and the Wise Men to the Bethlehem manger and there find the true source of Christmas with it's deep meaning and message to the world. It is then that we cry from the fullness of our hearts "Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift."



INDUSTRIAL LOAN
and Investment Company
Sedalia Trust Building Phone 48 Fourth and Ohio

Santa's bringing lots of JOY for a HAPPY Christmas

COUNTRY CLUB DISTRIBUTING COMPANY
421 S. Engineer Phone 4511

BEHIND THE CHRISTMAS STORY—3.

THE RELIGION

TRADITION RUNS BACK TO EGYPT

MOSES, THE LAWGIVER

AP Newsfeatures

The religion of the Jews as recorded in the Old Testament dates to very ancient times. Some stories recorded in Sumerian and Babylonian writings resemble those in the Bible. The noted archaeologist, James Breasted, studied writings on the sun worship sponsored by Ikhnaton, ancient Egyptian ruler, and said some of them were similar to passages in the Bible.

This idea has been disputed with vigor by some theologians. But Jews seem to have lived in Palestine for centuries when it was under Egyptian rule and the Bible tells of a period when they lived in Egypt itself.

The Bible also relates stories of a period when the Jews lived under Patriachal rule. The edicts of the patriarchs often seem to have been developed in religious forms.

Moses, who led his people out of Egypt is credited with being the great lawgiver of his people. He got the Ten Commandments from Jehovah and placed them in the Ark of the Covenant.

Many modern churchmen regard the making of a case containing a document the center of worship as one of the great advances in religion.

Long after Moses, the Bible describes a succession of prophets who developed the religion in many ways.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MRS. HUMAN'S ART SHOP

710 South Ohio Phone 603

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS

be to you a time of Joy, of Happiness and Peace, with the New Year bright and Prosperous.

We want to express our thanks and appreciation to the many fine people in and around Sedalia for their interest, cooperation and support during this year.

EL RANCHO MOTEL

West Highway 50

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Freyman

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Closed All Day Christmas Day

CHARLIE'S COFFEE SHOP

115 East Third Street

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Once more it is a pleasure to extend to our many friends and patrons our very best wishes for a Christmas bright with happiness and good cheer.

SULLIVAN CLEANERS

212 South Lamine Street

the Season's Best to All!

WELCH'S WEST SIDE MARKET

410 South Barrett Phone 470

Wishing you a Joyous Christmas and the best of good wishes

IDEAL PRINTING CO.

G. FLORES & SONS

411 Wilkerson Phone 120

Merry Christmas

SEDALIA TYPEWRITER and ADDING MACHINE CO.

Charlie Hofheins and Employees

506 South Ohio Phone 818

Greetings for the Holiday Season

To all our friends... here's to a Merry Christmas and a very gay New Year.

PETE'S PIG PEN

"Pete" Drenas "Duke" Stivers

420 South Osage

Greetings

May the road leading to your Christmas be paved with the stepping-stones of our sincere friendship.

SCHIEN TRUCK LINES

416 West Main Street Sedalia, Mo.

Greetings

May the happiness of you and your loved ones be as everlasting as the evergreen. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends.

STANLEY COAL CO.

120 N. OHIO SEDALIA

Joy... Peace... at Christmas

Once more we pause to welcome to our hearts the spirit of this blessed season. May it renew the great warmth of reverent love in the hearts of all men, and may this Christmas Day herald the fulfillment of all our prayers for joy and peace to all our brothers throughout the world.

LANDMANN ABSTRACT & TITLE CO.

112 W. 4th St. Sedalia

ROME STANDS BEHIND NATION'S GOVERNMENT

AP Newsfeatures

Rome was in control of the Holy Land at the time of the Christmas story. But Rome herself was in ferment. She was in the process of changing from a republic to an empire. Augustus, often called the first Roman emperor, died in 14 A.D.

The uncertainty which Rome felt in the form of her own government was reflected in uncertainty as the form of control she exercised over the provinces. In Palestine she long tried to maintain the local kingship.

The Bible tells of Pilate, the Roman governor of Christ's maturity, and of Herod, the local king of his infancy. In between there was much war in which local strong points were important. Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D.

Not only was Rome warring with other powers, but the Jews were warring among themselves and there was civil war among the Romans.

Meanwhile the local priesthood continued to hold much power and mobs from the market place often held the balance.

The Jews often complained of abuse by their Roman overlords. The fact that "there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed," has been cited as one of those abuses. It was in answer to that decree that Joseph and Mary went to Bethlehem.

The nave is the part of the church appropriate for laymen.

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.—II Cor. 1:4.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

TODD'S AUTO SERVICE

103 East 16th St. Phone 96

These greetings gay
we send your way
Are for a bright 'n
merry Holiday—

ROBERT Q. HENDERSON

TAX SERVICE - REAL ESTATE

122 W. Third St. Phone 70

Season's Greetings

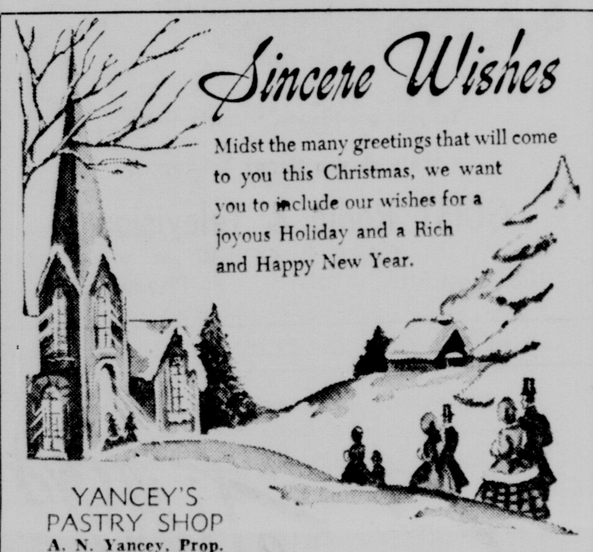
To all our friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings for a joyous Holiday Season.

SEDALIA SUPPLY COMPANY

212 South Osage Phone 4461

Sincere Wishes

Midst the many greetings that will come to you this Christmas, we want you to include our wishes for a joyous Holiday and a Rich and Happy New Year.



YANCEY'S PASTRY SHOP

A. N. Yancey, Prop.

112 W. 5th St.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL

With our greetings of the Season goes our sincere wish that during the coming year we may again enjoy the pleasure of your friendship and good will.

HOMER BAKER'S FOOD MARKET

1501 S. Ohio

Christmas Cheers

A gay greeting for the Yuletide to each and everyone of you on our long list of friends!

VIRGIL HOUCHENS

Mobilgas Station

Broadway & Ohio

A Joyous Christmas

At this time of the year, all hearts are in tune with the spirit of the Season. We wish a Joyous Holiday to all.

Clyde Swafford and Employees

SWAFFORD SERVICE STATION

Fourth and Osage

SIEVER'S ROOFING CO.

215 East Main Phone 1630

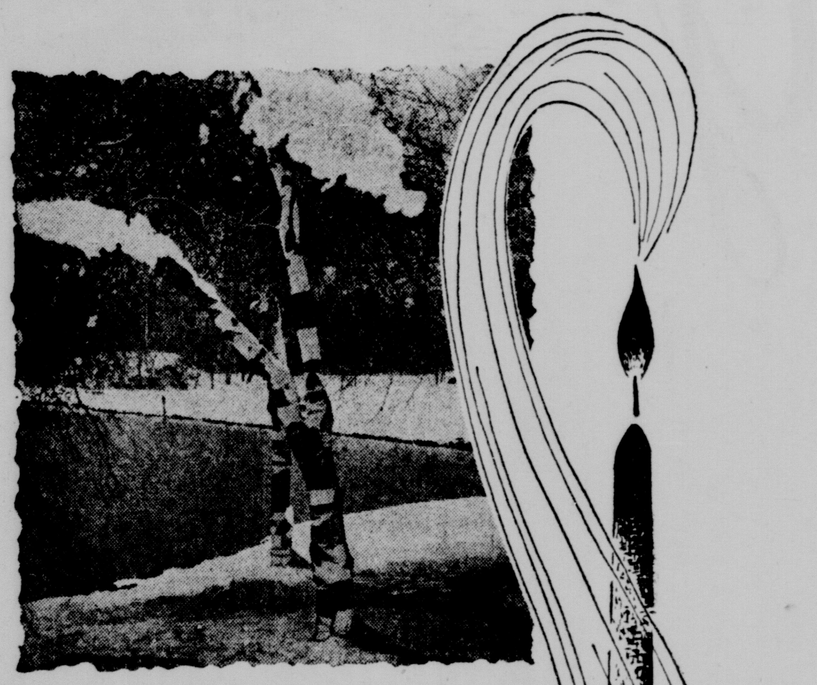
A Glorious Christmas

TO EACH OF YOU

BUNNIE'S BARBECUE

204 South Engineer

Phone 3228



In sincere and friendly appreciation

of your patronage and good will . . .

MERRY CHRISTMAS

U.S. BINGS

FREE PARKING

With best wishes for the Holiday Season

May this Christmas be one of resounding joy and good cheer for you and all those dear to you... and may your Holiday happiness continue through every day of the New Year.

F. A. KUECK, JR. AND EMPLOYEES

KUECK DISTRIBUTING CO.

1123 East Main Phone 416

ROEL

With our sincere good wishes for a Holiday full of happiness and joy!

SEDALIA TILE COMPANY

703 South Ohio

BEHIND THE CHRISTMAS STORY—5.

THE WISE MEN

THE SHEPHERDS

TRADITIONS MEET BEFORE CHRIST

THE VISITORS

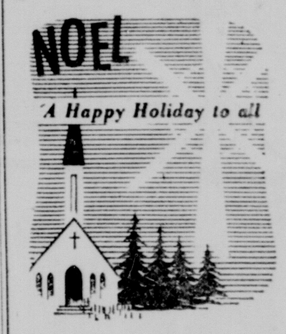
Among the visitors to the infant Jesus were shepherds and wise men. Nothing could better illustrate the diverse influences which were fermenting in Palestine at that time.

The shepherds were poor men. They had been told by an Angel of the Lord of the birth. "And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger."

This was in the old tradition. Inspiration often came to the poor shepherd. Often he was weak. But often, too, the nomads with their flocks became a power in the land. In ancient times Egypt had long been ruled by the Hyksos—the shepherd kings. And the nomads often had conquered great cities and become their rulers. Now they were reaching for a greater power in the religion which had been their heritage for countless generations.

The wise men came from another tradition. Behind them were the palaces, the schools and the temples of a hundred great cities and a dozen great empires. They represented the men who generation after generation had gathered the wisdom of the ages and molded it into ideas which ruled men's minds.

They, too, came and worshipped Jesus in the manger. They, too, found that their star centered on Bethlehem. AP Newsfeature



PEGGY'S CAFE
214 South Lamine
Home of
Fine Home-Cooked
Food

Lots of cheer
and jolly good fun . . .
May your holiday be
A Merry one !

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INSURANCE AGENCY
TOM and KEITH YOUNT
All Forms of Insurance
and Bonds.

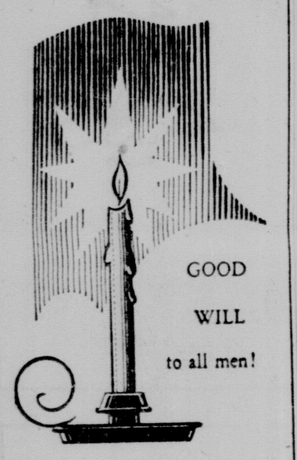
Our compliments of
the season to you —
BEN FRANKLIN
118 W. Main St.

Best Wishes
To Everyone
for a
Merry
Christmas
STUART
REFRIGERATION
SERVICE
509 E. 3rd Phone 5538

A wish for all
on this happy day—
for all good things
to come your way!
SULLIVAN & MADORIN GROCERY
1701 S. Kentucky Phone 2188

To you, our friends, in many ways,
We wish you Happy Holidays!
GOIST Radio & Television
CARL R. GOIST
108 West 5th Phone 4673

GOOD
WISHES
THIS Christmas
AND ALWAYS
KINDER
Body and Paint Shop
1604 South Grand Phone 478

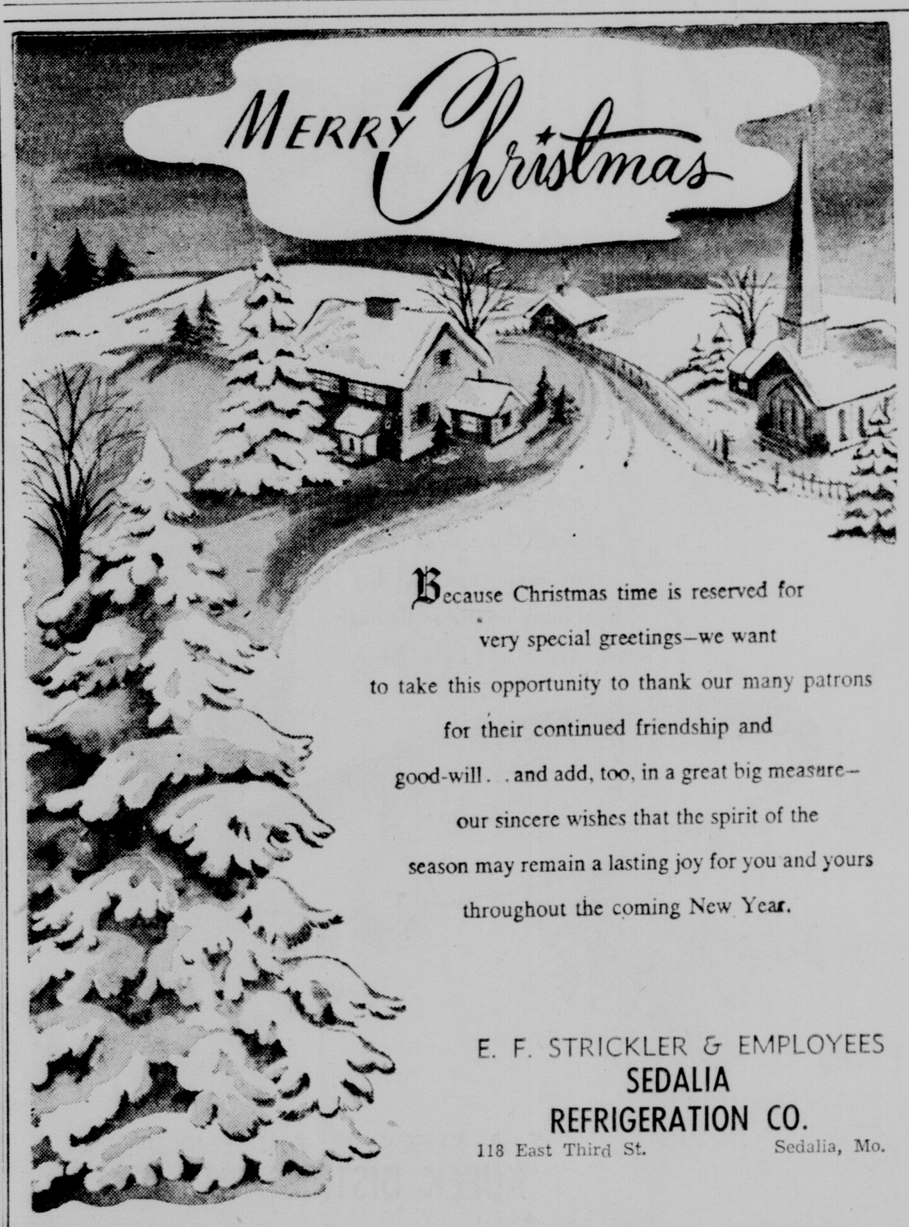


CRAMER'S
Cities Service Station
JUNCTION 50 and 65
Northeast Corner

Best wishes
for
Christmas
GLA-DA-MO
SHOP
Mrs. W. J. Moore
116 West Third Street
Alterations—Tailoring

A VERY
Merry Christmas
B and B
SHOE COMPANY
228 South Ohio

May the glad cheer of
Christmas with its
spirit of wonderful warmth
remain as a precious
token for all our friends,
throughout
the New Year.
HOFFMAN
HARDWARE
Company
305 So. Ohio
Phone 433



Because Christmas time is reserved for
very special greetings—we want
to take this opportunity to thank our many patrons
for their continued friendship and
good-will. . and add, too, in a great big measure—
our sincere wishes that the spirit of the
season may remain a lasting joy for you and yours
throughout the coming New Year.

E. F. STRICKLER & EMPLOYEES
SEDALIA
REFRIGERATION CO.
118 East Third St. Sedalia, Mo.

Greetings

It's not easy to express
in cold type the warm appreciation we
have for the loyalty and good will of
our many friends. Our sincere thanks for your
friendship is second only
to the pleasure we've had in serving you.
To one and all we wish a
joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year.

Mrs. Velma Ellis and employees at
Ellis'
406 So. Ohio

BEHIND THE CHRISTMAS STORY—6.

THE LAND

THE PROPHESIES

JOSEPH'S CARPENTER SHOP

THE JOURNEY

THE MADONNA

The Holy Family has been one of the living symbols of Christianity since Jesus was born. For untold generations, the prophets had been predicting the birth of a Savior.

Mary, in fulfillment of an ancient prophecy, was told by an angel that she would become the mother of a child. That prophecy was fulfilled when she gave birth in the manger at Bethlehem.

But the Bible does not neglect Joseph. St. Matthew is careful to trace his ancestry back to Abraham through Jacob.

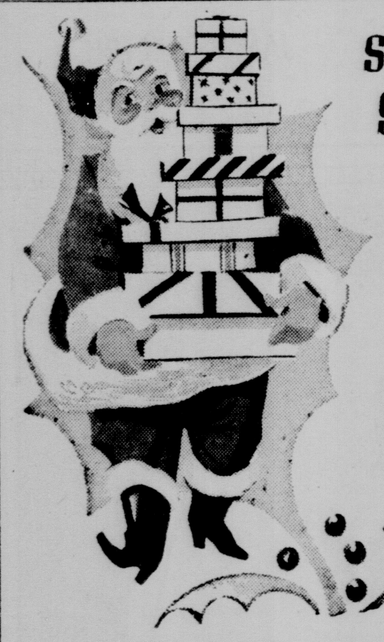
With that background, Joseph and Mary were caught up in the turbulent difficulties of the times. Joseph must go to Bethlehem "to be taxed." They went as people traveled in those days—Joseph on foot and Mary, great with child, on a donkey.

These are the pictures which have come down to us through the generations since that time: Joseph and Mary on the road—The Holy Family in the stable—the Madonna with her child. These are pictures which have fired the imaginations of Christians all over the world.

AP Newsfeatures

Poinsettias Named

Poinsettias, those traditional Christmas plants, were named, according to the method followed in such cases, for the man who discovered and perfected this particular botanical specimen, an explorer named Poinsett. The big red "petals" are not petals at all, but leaves, surrounding the actual little flower at the center.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

May Santa bring you all the things you want this Christmas.

And here's the hope that in the coming New Year you'll find heaps of good luck, good cheer, and good health.

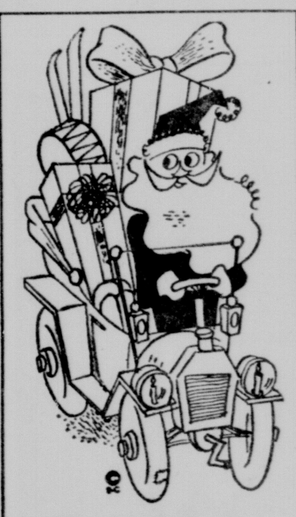
MR. AND MRS. I. EWARD ZALIN
THE SPORT CENTER
115 South Ohio Sedalia

We're used to being Santa Claus, for we play the role for many of our friends and neighbors throughout the year. But in this holiday season we truly wish we could be three Santas at once...to wish everybody a Christmas blessed threefold in Happiness, Health and Prosperity!

BOIES DRUG STORE
C. W. HURTT, Prop.
516 W. 16th St. Phone 872

Warmer than ever
And cheerier too,
Are the Holiday wishes
We're sending to you.

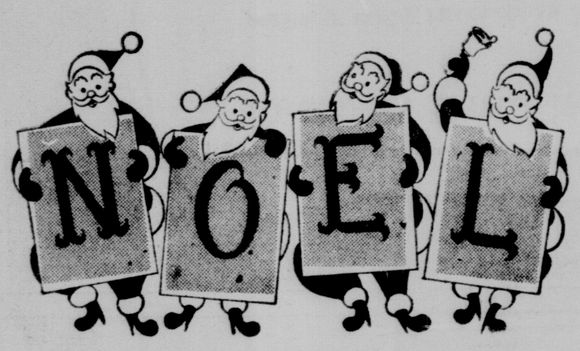
SEDALIA CAFE
Mr. & Mrs. L. J. Robinson
124 E. 3rd St.



Best Wishes
Here's hoping you will have a Merry Yule Season.

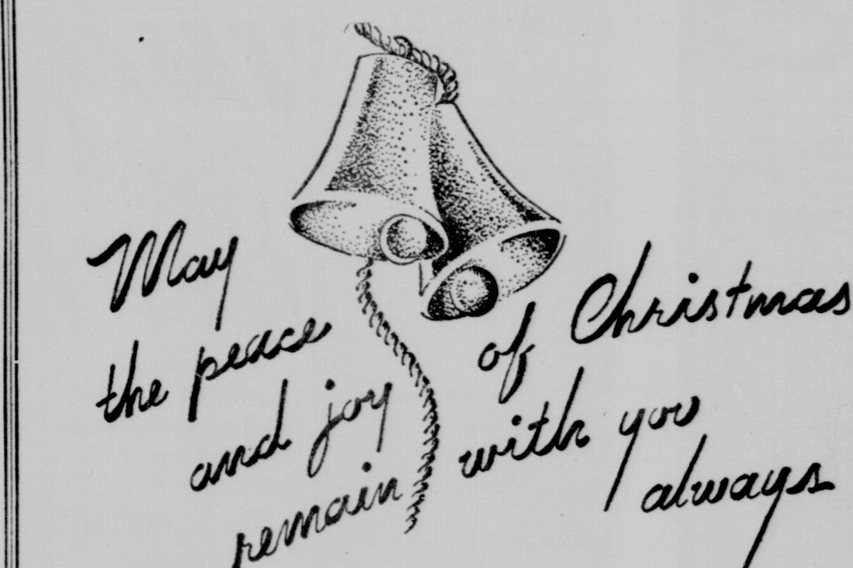
OK RUBBER WELDERS
3rd & Washington Phone 116

LEHMER STUDIO
518 S. Ohio Phone 650



We've lined up to extend to you our sincerest Season's Greetings. May the bountiful joy that we wish you for Christmas be followed by an equal measure of happiness in the New Year.

SINGER SEWING CENTER
514 South Ohio Phone 455



CUMA & DOROTHY'S BEAUTY SALON
216 West Third Street Phone 3636

M.F.A. CENTRAL COOPERATIVE
Sedalia, Mo.
212 West Pacific Phone 709

DAN D. DOTY
MID-STATE STORAGE
AND TRANSFER COMPANY
Lamine and Missouri Pacific Tracks—Phone 946

Christmas Greetings

We feel with gratitude and pride the loyalty of our many old customers and the good will of our newer ones. We treasure the warm friendship existing between us and our customers and hope that it will continue for many years to come.

It is, then, in the Christmas spirit of real friendship that we extend to all our customers the most sincere greetings of the season.

SEARS SALES OFFICE
117 East Third Phone 262

Christmas In Mexico

Posadas and Pinatas Mark the Eve, But Gift Exchange Is On Day of Magi, Jan. 6

By Irwin Raut

Two words about Christmas in Mexico that remain vividly in my memory are "posada" and "pinata". Posada really means our inn.

The fiesta represents the efforts of Joseph and Mary to find lodging.

The parades begin on Dec. 16 and are repeated nightly through Christmas Eve. Two children dressed to represent Joseph and Mary, followed by a group of singers, go from door to door in a home — in Mexico houses are built around a court — seeking admittance. Sleepy voices from within complain of the disturbance. Joseph replies that Mary is tired and needs rest. A dialogue between Joseph and those within follows. Joseph's request is refused. At the last door Joseph and Mary are recognized and admitted. In the room is the baby Jesus lying in a jar full of candy fruits and other goodies. One of the party is placed near the pinata and given a stick. He is then blindfolded, turned around several times, and told to strike the pinata, which has been swung out of reach. The crowd is greatly amused at the futile attempts of the various persons who try. At last the pinata is swung back into place and someone gives it a whack that scatters the contents over the floor. This is the moment for which the children have been waiting. A wild scramble for the goodies climaxes pinata.

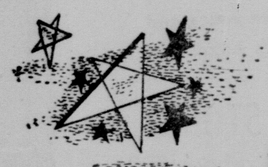
After the Christmas celebration there is a midnight religious service. The families then gather for a feast that often last until morning.

It is not the custom to give gifts to children till the day of the magi, which is Jan. 6.

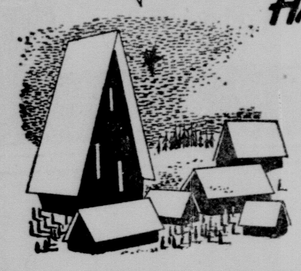
While new customs are being introduced into the cities rural Mexico still retains its old ones — customs now make Mexico unique and very fascinating.

No Christmas Cards

Heard on a bus: "I'm positive you didn't get a Christmas card from me last year; I didn't send any."



BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY



PAULUS AWNING CO.
604 South Ohio
Phone 131

SCHREINER'S SINCLAIR SERVICE STATION
West 50 Hiway
Sedalia

WISHING YOU A HAPPY
Christmas...
When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

ZEPHYR MANUFACTURING CO.
400 West Second St.
Sedalia

Greetings

May Christmas cheer come down your chimney!

Edw. J. Smith
ELECTRIC MOTOR SHOP
117 South Ohio

Christmas Greetings

May each and every one of our customers and friends find this a very HAPPY HOLIDAY!

JAMES ELECTRIC
113 East Second

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May your hopes and dreams come true at Christmastime!

MODERN BEAUTY SALON
718 West Second Street
Phone 692

Cheerio!

Lots of cheer and jolly good fun . . . May your holiday be A Mer.., one !

M. L. HOPPER
GROCERY
1000 WEST MAIN
PHONE 273

OUR YULETIDE WISHES

Now, as in ancient times, may the guiding light of Christmas be yours.

CRAMER & SCHRADER
CONSTRUCTION CO.
109 East Second
Phone 61

GOOD WISHES
for everyone

To each one of you, we wish the greater happiness that comes with sharing Christmas with friends and neighbors ...and with sharing the Holiday with Him, in His house. And to this wish we add the hope that the New Year brings to you a full measure of good health and prosperity.

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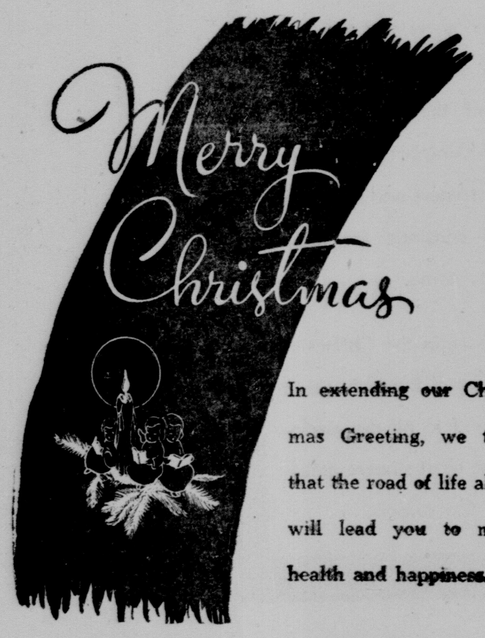

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